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CALL *to the* SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION - INDIANA LEAGUE *of* WOMEN VOTERS

The Board of Directors of the Indiana League of Women Voters calls its branch leagues throughout the state to send delegates to the seventh annual convention of the league, which will be held in Indianapolis March 24, 25, 26, 1926.

In reviewing the work of the six years of our existence as an organization, we have reason to be proud of the real advancement we have made towards making peacetime patriotism effective in our government. The problem of broadcasting true and unbiassed information on issues confronting our national, state, and local governments was never more wisely approached than at present. The results of the preventive legislation placed on the statute books of Indiana by our efforts, have become more gratifying year by year. We have had the opportunity during the past year to work actively for the World Court, and have succeeded in arousing great public interest in this first step towards the goal of ultimate peace.

But there is stimulating work ahead, which must be planned with the enthusiasm and judgment of all of the delegates and women interested in good government focussed in convention. Therefore, we must take council together in convention assembled, in order:

That we may review the progress we have made;

That we may plan together for the future, to make our Indiana League still more effective as an efficient organization;

That we may by mutual help and inspiration, gather courage and strength from one another.

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GREETINGS!

Well, we have discarded 1925 from our calendar and now are looking upon January 1926. This month is well named. The two faces of Janus give us many suggestions. Right now, in the midst of our winter activities, while we find ourselves telling of the records and developments of the past few months, we are certainly looking forward to greater achievements. Janus was the porter of the gods. Through our League work we may carry to various groups of people theories, plans, ways and means for better citizenship —better living conditions. What line of study and work could be more worth while? As our calendar changes from year to year, from month to month, a common subject, in general conversation, is that we are living in a speed age.

While snow and ice abound—spring styles are shown; newstands sell February magazines in January. If you are on a down town street corner Saturday night, you may buy the Sunday morning papers.

Are your League records up to date? Do you realize that our annual state convention has jumped ahead two months? See that your League quotas are paid, so that you may have your full number of delegates registered in our 7th annual convention. Whereas you had twelve months for your year's work a year ago, this season the time allotment is ten months. Speed up your activities. Incidentally, have you helped the state win a hundred dollars in its effort to secure one hundred subscriptions to the Woman Citizen? You can sell it to most anyone. The back cover of the January issue of the "Citizen" gives a varied list of clubs that have gone over the top in winning money. Besides Leagues of Women Voters, Federated Clubs, Church Societies, W. C. T. U., State Grange organizations and many others are listed. This magazine should be on your library table.

Let us remember the advice given us by the daily newspapers last month—"so many shopping days until Christmas." Only nine more working weeks until our state convention.

Faithfully yours,

Lillian J. White.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

The most emergent matter before us as members of the League of Women Voters is the reenactment of the Maternity and Infancy Act by the Congress of the United States.

Perhaps nothing can better express the great benefits of this act as administered in Indiana than the statement of Dr. W. F. King, State Health Commissioner, to your chairman recently. Dr. King said, "For twenty-five years we went along in the state with little material decrease in the deaths of mothers and of babies under one year of age. Then came the establishment of the Division of Infant and Child Hygiene and the Maternity and Infancy Act, and at once deaths in these two groups dropped to the lowest rate in our history."

No argument can offset the actual result. In the face of such facts there is no room for argument. What we want our Senators and Representatives in Congress to know is the earnestness of our women in their desire to have this measure reenacted for a period of at least five more years.

We cannot help them to this understanding by remaining silent and hoping. If they are to be conscious of our wishes we must express ourselves. Each league, and as many of its members as possible, should out of their deep conviction of the value of this Act to Indiana and to their local community, communicate with the two state Senators and their own Representatives.

—(Mrs.) Edna Hatfield Edmondson,
Chairman, Child Welfare Committee.

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MRS. HOOP

Mrs. Margaret Hoop of Shelbyville, director of the Women and Children's division of the State Industrial Board, and chairman of the Women in Industry Committee of the Indiana League of Women Voters, has been appointed by Governor Jackson to represent Indiana at the conference called by the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor on the problems of women in gainful employment, to be held in Washington, D. C., January 18-21. Mrs. B. B. White, president of the Indiana League, also has asked Mrs. Hoop to represent the League at this important gathering.

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE

The industrial conference called by Mr. Dixon Bynum, director of the State Industrial Board, to be held in Indianapolis, February 10, is arousing interest throughout the country. It is perhaps the first conference of its kind to be held in the country and is called for the purpose of bringing together the varied interests of industrial life and considering the mutual problems.

Among the speakers already secured will be: Governor Jackson; Mr. Will H. Hays, who will discuss "Industrial Safety,—The Mine Operators"; Mr. Roland A. Foster, of Foster and Messick, who will discuss "The Insurance Carriers Problem"; Miss Agnes Peterson of the Women's Bureau, Department of Labor, who will talk on "Industrial Accidents to Women"; Mr. John A. Riddles, attorney, United Mine Workers, who will present the subject "Mine Accidents"; Dr. C. A. Lippincott, Studebaker Corporation, who will talk on "Safety First"; and Mr. H. R. Witter, director of Industrial Relations of Ohio, who will present "Safety First in Ohio."

FEDERAL AID

The entire question of federal aid has been approached in a most interesting fashion in the new publication of the national league. The pamphlet is especially timely, now that the re-enactment of the Sheppard-Towner is reviving the discussion of the principle of federal aid. Study groups are being, and already have been, formed in different sections of the country to study the subject, and many interesting and rather startling facts have been gathered together. The origin and history of federal aid have been traced briefly in the pamphlet, and especial emphasis has been placed on the extent and scope of federal aid at the present time,—the varied interests touched by the statutes dealing with federal aid, and the comparatively few government employees engaged solely for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of these statutes. Those who are interested in industry, in agriculture, in military protection, in good roads, in experimentation along various lines will find that their especial interests are materially helped by federal aid. It is not along the lines of health and social welfare and education that federal aid is given,—indeed, this group comprises only a small portion of the entire group receiving federal aid at the present time.

In this connection, it is of interest to Indiana women to recall that the $29,000 of Sheppard-Towner money available for maternity and infancy work in the state is only a small fraction of the millions of dollars coming into Indiana yearly in federal aid for road building, rifle ranges, experimental stations, agricultural work and for various other things.

NEW EDUCATION CHAIRMAN

Miss Cornelia S. Adair, of Richmond, Virginia, has been appointed as the new Education Chairman of the National League, to succeed Mrs. Walter D. Brookings of Washington, D. C. By her long service in classroom teaching, and her association with a score or more leading educational groups, Miss Adair is regarded by officers of the National League as admirably fitted to direct the league's educational program. Her first action as chairman was the presentation of a proposed 1926-1927 education program, to the education chairmen of the state leagues. It recommends for study, city and rural school finance, school attendance, ways of securing qualified persons on boards of education and the results of Federal Aid to education in the states.

On December 17,—of special significance to all members of the League of Women Voters, because it was upon that day that the question of the World Court was debated in the Senate of the United States, Indiana was represented by Mrs. Edna Christian of Indianapolis, and Miss Elizabeth Miller, Shelbyville, who drove through to Washington in order to attend the session.

No definite action has been taken by the senate at the present time, but it is expected that the debate will be resumed shortly.

TWO YEAR'S WORK

The Maternity and Infancy Act (Sheppard-Towner) was passed by Congress in 1921, granting federal aid to the states for five years for the reduction of the maternal and infant death rate. The last appropriation which will be made by Congress, unless the Act is extended, will be for the year ending June 30, 1927.

The states report the following amount of work done in two years:

26,353 child health conferences held; 594,136 babies examined; 9,669 prenatal conferences held; 74,659 mothers advised; 1,706 infants welfare stations established; 245 prenatal centers established; 39,910 midwives instructed; 162,073 mothers attending mothers' classes; 5,476 little mothers' classes organized.

News of the Branch Leagues

Frankfort. Mrs. S. E. Perkins, of Indianapolis, spoke on "World Co-operation" at the December guest meeting, held at the home of Mrs. John Roush.

Delphi. Dr. Christy of Purdue University spoke before a combined meeting of the Delphi League and the Deer Creek Farm Bureau on the "Co-operative Market Law."

Portland. "The City Manager Form of Government," "School Attendance," "Probation" and "Board of Children's Guardians" were the subjects presented at the December meeting of the Portland League.

Valparaiso. Miss Lella Biberson, Girls' Reserve Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., was the speaker for the December meeting. Mrs. J. E. Mavity and Mrs. G. R. Douglas also spoke on the work of the Y. W. C. A.

Marion Township. Mrs. John Gwin spoke on "Township Taxes," Mrs. C. W. Hanley on "Federal Aid" and Mrs. John Hardman on "Re-enactment of the Sheppard Towner Law." Resolutions on the World Court and the Sheppard Towner Law were passed.

Lafayette. At the December luncheon meeting of the Tippecanoe County League, Dr. A. R. Ross, newly elected mayor of Lafayette, talked on "The Observance of Law." Mrs. Edna Bivens gave a brief review of the work done by the County Tuberculosis Association.

Terre Haute. The Board of Directors of the Terre Haute League met with Mrs. J. F. Hocker. Plans for the work for the next few months were outlined.

Shelbyville. "The World Court" was the subject of the talk given by Mrs. Walter S. Greenough at the December meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Fred C. Inlow. Miss Helen Rogers Hand, state executive secretary, spoke briefly of the work of the League of Women Voters.

Peru. "The Child that No One Understands" was the subject of Mr. Charles Brandon Booth's talk to the Peru League and the Parent-Teachers Association.

Bloomington. Mrs. C. E. Edmondson, state chairman of the Child Welfare Committee, spoke on the "Re-enactment of the Sheppard Towner Act" at the December meeting, and Mrs. Mary Waldron told what had been done in Monroe County under this act.

Michigan City. Mrs. W. W. Ramsey of Chicago addressed the December meeting on the "World Court." Miss Cora Nafe, chairman of the Prevention of War Committee, led the discussion following. Subscription for the WOMAN CITIZEN were taken.

Newburgh. Mrs. W. S. Ehrich of Evansville talked on the "World Court" at the December meeting. A number of out of town guests were present.

Fairview Township. Mrs. James Rose was hostess for the December meeting of the League.

Stroh. Mas. James Areheart was hostess for the December meeting. "The Maternity and Infancy Act," "Proposed Methods of Amending the Federal Constitution" and the "World Court" were the subjects discussed.

Evansville. Mrs. Belle Norwood, county probation officer, reported the work of her office at the December luncheon meeting. The World Court study groups sent resolutions to the Indiana Senators and are co-operating with the city World Court Committee to arouse more interest in this question.

Vincennes. Mrs. Lawrence Ebner was hostess for the December meeting. A number of out of town guests and members were present to enjoy the fine program.

South Bend. The League entertained the Optimist Club for the Blind with a Christmas program which included Mr. Charles Mathes, of South Bend, pianist; and Mrs. J. S. McCowan, reader; Miss Miriam Dunbar, who was abroad last summer, told of many interesting incidents of her trip; and Mr. W. S. Crosby spoke briefly on the need for more stringent divorce laws.

Elkhart. Mrs. George E. Howe gave the second of a series of talks on travels in foreign countries. Mrs. Howe told of her summer in England. Mrs. Aleine Webster Darling sang two English songs, after which an English tea was served. The Little Theater department presented Mrs. Helen Stanton Burns, reader, at its regular meeting.

Indianapolis. December 8, 9 and 10 were "Field Days" for the Indianapolis League. On December 8, the Smith College Club had a luncheon for Mrs. Richard E. Edwards and Miss Florence Harrison, 4th regional secretary, and the Bryn Mawr Club had a luncheon at the same time for Mrs. W. G. Hibbard, 4th regional director. Afterwards the two luncheons combined and Mrs. Hibbard, Miss Harrison and Mrs. Edwards spoke on various phases of the work of the League of Women Voters. On December 9, Mrs. Russell Fortune, Mrs. Ovid Butler Jameson and Mrs. S. E. Perkins each had a tea for the League, and the three guests of honor, Mrs. Hibbard, Miss Harrison and Mrs. Edwards spoke at each of the teas. Other speakers were Mrs. Walter S. Greenough and Miss Adah E. Bush. On December 10, Mrs. Hibbard and Miss Harrison were special guests at a tea at Butler College.

Hagerstown. Mrs. Blanche Small, president of the Hagerstown League, entertained the League for its annual Christmas party. A very interesting program preceded the party.

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THE STATE CONVENTION

On to Indianapolis!

All roads will lead to Indianapolis, March 24-25-26. The state convention of the League of Women Voters will be the magnet no woman in Indiana who is a member of a local league can resist if there is any possibility of her attending. Automobile caravans are in the process of organizing already. Indianapolis relatives will think that state fair week has come early with their guest rooms in such demand and the Lincoln Hotel is preparing to use every resource at its command to make the out state delegates comfortable and happy.

The great value of the convention will be the companionship of the women themselves, but the program is full of plums of interest and worth. The national president of the organization, Miss Belle Sherwin of Cleveland, Ohio and Washington, D. C., will be the headliner for the banquet, to be held on Thursday, March 25. The fourth regional director and secretary, Mrs. William G. Hibbard and Miss Florence Harrison, of Winnetka, Illinois, will grace the convention with their presence. The speaker for the mass meeting, the program committee promises, will be a man or woman of national reputation, and a real treat to all leaguers. If the first choice can not be secured, the second and the third and the fourth choices are equally good.

The adoption of the legislative program and the revision of the constitution make this convention a very vital one to the welfare of the organization. Besides the inspiration of the speakers, every delegate has a real service to perform in helping to select the legislative measures for which the League will work in the coming legislature. The constitutional changes merit the best thought and the presence of every woman interested in the future growth of the League in Indiana. Dr. Ada Schweitzer will show the development of the Sheppard-Towner work in Indiana during the past four years. Dr. Henry Noble Sherwood will present the problem of rural education in the state and Miss Harrison will give a graphic picture of Federal Aid throughout the United States.

Reports will be given as briefly as possible. Although it may not be possible to recognize all the splendid work done by committee chairmen, League presidents and district chairmen, the convention is to be enlivened by informal breakfasts, luncheons and dinners, where kindred souls can gather together and discuss the solution to their problems.

The convention will open with an afternoon session on Wednesday afternoon. Group dinners for local presidents and local treasurers will take place before the mass meeting which will be held that evening. Between the morning and afternoon sessions on Thursday, group luncheons will be held for those interested in the following subjects: "Building a Local Program," "Publicity" and "Interesting Young Persons." Informal round tables will be held by the standing committee chairmen around the breakfast table on Thursday morning. The banquet will be held Thursday evening. An important business session and the annual election will take place on Friday morning. In the afternoon a reception will be held by the hostess chapter for the newly elected board members and officers.

This plan of the convention has been made at the request of the out state delegates. It enables them to attend every session of the convention and only be away from home two nights. The plan followed for the last two years,—of two full days, has made it necessary for the many women who would not think of missing a single session to be away three nights.

The detailed program will be published in the next issue of the Voter. But in the meantime,—don't forget. This is to be a wonderful convention, well worth all the effort it takes to attend it. The Indiana League of Women Voters needs the presence of every one who can possibly attend. It is epochal in the history of the organization. Don't miss it—for your own sake and the sake of the organization.

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MRS. WARRINGTON

With the replacement of Mrs. Carina C. Warrington of Fort Wayne, as State Probation Officer by Mrs. Florence Boys of Plymouth, by Governor Ed Jackson, one distinct phase of the probation work has ended. The Indiana League of Women Voters has stood squarely behind the law creating a state probation officer, and through the local Leagues, has followed with interest and admiration the work of Mrs. Warrington. Mrs. Boys is to be congratulated that she steps into a position organized with the high standards set by the state probation work at present.

The board of directors of the Indiana League of Women Voters authorized the following resolution to be prepared:

Whereas: Preventive work is of the greatest importance, and the Indiana Probation Law is designed to prevent crime;

Whereas: Upon the administration of any law, a great deal of its success and value depend;

Whereas: The administration of the Probation Law by Mrs. Carina C. Warrington of Fort Wayne has resulted in the saving of many of the young people of the state who have taken an initial false step, and has resulted in the saving of money to the state and to the counties in the fewer commitments to institutions:

Therefore, be it resolved: That the Indiana League of Women Voters go on record as heartily commending the fine work of Mrs. Warrington as state Probation Officer and desire to express their hope that her high standards be maintained by her successor in office.

HOTEL RATES

When you have decided on your hotel, won't you please write directly for accommodations for the State Convention?

Hotel Lincoln (Convention Headquarters)

Single room, with shower, $2.50; single room, with tub bath, $3.00 to $4.50; double room, with shower and twin beds (for 2) $5.00; double room, with tub and twin beds, (for 2) $6.50 and $7.00; double room, with tub and double bed (for 2) $5.00 to $6.50.

Claypool Hotel

Single room, without bath, $2.00 and $2.50; double room, without bath, $3.50 and $4.00; single room, with shower, $2.50, $3.00 and $3.50; single room, with tub bath, $3.00, $4.00, $4.50 and $5.00; double room, with tub and double bed, (for 2), $6.00, $6.50, $7.00 and $8.00.

Severin Hotel

Single room, with shower, $2.50 and $3.00; single room, with tub, $3.50; double room, with tub and double bed (for 2) $5.00, $6.00, $6.50 and $7.00; double room, with tub and twin beds (for 2) $9.00.

Spink Arms Hotel

Single rooms, with bath, $2.50 and up; double rooms, with bath and twin beds, $5.00 and up.

Fare To St. Louis

The Illinois League has estimated that it will cost about $65.00 to go from Chicago to St. Louis and "take in the Convention" in a not too extravagant fashion. They are allowing $21.00 for room, $21.00 for meals, including the known luncheons and banquets, and the remaining amount is for railroad fare.

The fare and half to St. Louis from Indianapolis is $13.31, plus two lower berths, $7.50, is $20.81. Including the above estimate for rooms and meals, the grand total is $62.81. It may be a long time before we can get so much for so small a sum!

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INDIANA CHILD HYGIENE ACTIVITIES

Before and After the Acceptance of Federal Aid
by
Ada E. Schweitzer, M. D., Director

The Federal Act for the Protection of Maternity and Infancy (popularly known as the Sheppard-Towner Act) has been effective in Indiana since July, 1922, as the acceptance by the Governor for the State was later confirmed by the legislature. The administrative agency is the State Board of Health through its Child Hygiene Division.

Prior to that date, the child hygiene activities had won gradually increasing support and the legislative appropriation had been doubled.

The Federal aid made it possible to expand the educational program of the Child Hygiene Division. The importance of guarding the health of babies and pre-school age children was demonstrated by examining them and explaining to parents any needed improvement in health or habits.

The display of health charts and exhibits and a talk illustrated with motion pictures rounded out the program in each community. Often a local feature, as music, motion songs or plays was given. Counties were organized by townships and local physicians, nurses, and lay persons worked with the Child Hygiene physician and nurse.

During the spring, summer, and autumn of 1923, a second health car and staff worked in southern Indiana and two other groups, a physician and nurse in each, held baby consultation centers. Some of the good results of these examinations were immediate, as removal of diseased tonsile, fitting with glasses, and improvement in health because of changes in habits or diet.

After two and three years, parents are reporting that children are rugged and "never miss a day of school" because the parents learned early how to keep them well.

Physicians are reporting as a result of instruction concerning diet that cases of severe intestinal disorders are very rare, (Mothers know better what to feed the children, and stop feeding and call the physician early if the child seems to be ill) that many parents have the children looked over by the physicians periodically and feel that it conserves money, time, and happiness to "keep the children well."

The improvement is reflected in our lowering infant mortality rates for after all when the world is "safe for babies" it is a good place to live in.

Because of uncontrollable yearly fluctuation in rates we watch five year averages. Averages for the last fifteen years were 96, 81, 71, and the rates for the last five years including 1925 were 71, 68, 71, 65.6, and 67.7.

Because our maternal mortality was not lowering so rapidly and because early deaths of babies are influenced by the health of the expectant mother and by happenings at birth, we started in March, 1924, a series of classes for women in standards and methods of mother care and baby care. These were held in from ten to fourteen places in each county visited. By January 1, 1926, three physicians working with three nurses were giving these courses of study. Classes have been held in 59 counties enrolling 26,759 women. In a very few places, the interest was poor. In most places classes range in numbers from ten or fifteen to eighty or ninety, in a few places from 150 to 190. Women generally express gratitude for the instruction. Many expectant mothers have at once applied to their physicians for prenatal supervision and care. As one woman said, "All the women were helped but the best result will be the effect on the health of the next generation. I don't know how to estimate that."

Many other activities made possible on a larger scale by the additional funds are reaching all parts of the state—lectures, demonstrations, and exhibits for state wide groups as the State Fair Better Baby work. Health pamphlets are a silent influence supplementing the instruction of the physicians and nurses. As they are distributed through these agencies and on request, we believe that most of them are read.

A well rounded program will be complete only when local communities, physicians, nurses, and parents are carrying on for themselves the standards demonstrated by the maternity and infancy protective work. During the next few years, effort will be made to crystalize the interest aroused into local and parental health guidance.

Indiana is spending $3,000,000 each year in the care of insane alone—more than the annual Sheppard-Towner appropriation for the entire United States. For that, we spend $20,000 a year (our quota has never been fully matched—$1,250 was added in 1924 and $750 in 1925. We believe in view of the present situation that the extension of the Act for Protection of Maternity and Infancy should be for at least another five year period for the following reasons:

1. Initiation of Maternity and Infancy activities in many states and the extension of programs in others were made possible by the Federal aid.
2. Much has been accomplished in improving infant health and in lowering infant mortality rates for ages one month to one year. This work needs further stabilizing and localizing.
3. Much more needs to be done in lowering early infant mortality and maternal mortality and in securing observance of better health standards at all ages.
4. The mutual helpfulness of States to each other, the promotion of effective activities on a more economic basis has been greatly enhanced by

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CONSTITUTIONAL REVISIONS

The need of revising our by-laws is not unique. Almost every state League has had to do so within the last few years. The National League has made revisions at each of its recent conventions and extensive ones are being proposed for this year. The truth is that the League is developing rapidly on its organization side and year by year it becomes clearer that an organization created for purposes as varied as ours cannot function under the same type of constitution as could one working for the suffrage alone.

In the League of Women Voters it is increasingly apparant that every member must share responsibility for the program. To do this it is necessary that some method of selection be devised which is likely to produce those results. The new by-laws do away with the old necessity of presenting twenty-two names to the Convention, only eleven of which can be elected. Anyone who has served on the Nominating Committee in the past will tell you that it has been well nye impossible to find twenty-two qualified women who had the time and the necessary interest to make the kind of board member we need.

After this year these will be, if the by-laws are adopted, only six places to fill—three officers being elected each year and three directors at large. That alone will make it possible for the Nominating Committee to present to the convention names of women who are really interested and who stand ready to give the necessary time. The new by-laws further provide for the direct election of officers. *You* will have a direct voice in the future in the election of the president. This is in accord with the practice in the other states and of the National League.

One other drastic change is in connection with the district directors. They have in the past been elected by their district—in the proposed by-laws they may be so elected when the district has at least three organized Leagues that petition the Board for the privilege of electing their own district director and who obligate themselves to hold an annual meeting for this purpose. But when the district is in no sense organized, the choice of district director is to be made by the Board. The reason for this change is, I think, obvious. The district director is primarily a part of the organization department. Her responsibility lies in carrying out local organization. The Board, however, is responsible to the state League for the organization as a whole. Now, if the district is weak the state board must help out until it is really organized and the board has not been able to do this in some districts because directors have been elected who could not give the time to the work and who really had not had sufficient contact with League work to be able to do it. The general opinion seems to be that it is better to leave such a place open until the right person can be secured.

There are other changes of less importance in the by-laws, all of which have been discussed and approved by the state board at the last two board meetings. They will of course be fully discussed at the state convention, but in the meantime the Committee on Revisions hopes that every local League will have a meeting and discuss them.

In making these revisions, the by-laws of several successful Leagues were used as the basis of discussion and comparison. Among these were New York, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Illinois, Ohio and Minnesota. We feel sure that the changes in our constitution now presented to you meet the needs of Indiana and will give us a constitution in line with the best of other states.

Mary Gallahan Kolb, Chairman,
Constitutional Revisions Committee.

NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES

Initial plans made for the seventh annual convention of the National League of Women Voters in St. Louis, April 14 to 21, indicate a wealth of unusually interesting and instructive features may be expected during the seven-day gathering.

The program committee, which includes Miss Belle Sherwin as ex-officio chairman; Miss Ruth Morgan and Miss Elizabeth J. Hauser, for the National Board; Mrs. Luella St. Clair Moss, for the sixth region; Mrs. Charles H. Dietrich for the Missouri League; and Mrs. George Gellhorn, for St. Louis League, has had its first formal meeting in St. Louis.

A smooth-running convention, as far as the physical arrangements are concerned, is assured in the appointment of Mrs. Paul Rittenhouse, of Chicago, as convention secretary. Mrs. Rittenhouse's intimate knowledge of the League program and her understanding of convention requirements, gained through personal experiences as secretary of the fourth region, makes her services doubly valuable to the convention as a whole. Mrs. Rittenhouse has had her first conference with St. Louis convention committees, and will return to the convention city a few weeks in advance of the opening of the convention.

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the helpfulness of the Federal Board in evaluating activities and in acting as a clearing house for new ldeas and plans of work.

5. Our plan of work has been accepted by them. Improvements suggested and much valuable additional assistance has been given, through speakers, correspondence, quotas of bureau publications

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

The World Court, first of All.

After a wait of three years, the United States senate, by 76-17 vote, decided that this country should adhere to the Permanent Court of International Justice. The reservations accepted, retained the contents of the original reservations, and others were added to take care of points brought up in the debate. Before the United States can be accepted as one of the nations adhering to the World Court, all of the forty-eight nations now in the Court, by exchange of notes, must accede to these drastic reservations.

It is a great victory for the patient and marvelous campaign of education conducted for the World Court. That the League of Women Voters was primarily the motive power behind the movement, and continued to be a most effective agency for education after many other organizations had been enlisted, can not be doubted. Miss Ruth Morgan, chairman of the committee on International Cooperation to Prevent War of the national league, deserves our heartiest congratulations. Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, chairman of the same committee for the state league, has enlisted practically the entire league membership in the struggle to secure favorable votes from our senators. However, both Senator Watson and Senator Robinson voted against the World Court. Of the seventeen votes against the Court, Indiana cast two!

An Extension of Time for the Maternity and Infancy Act. (H. R. 7555). (S. 2696).

It seems a very short time ago that the major legislative activity of women in Washington was support of the Maternity and Infancy Act, then known as the Sheppard-Towner bill. A request for an extension of time for which an appropriation may be authorized has brought the act into prominence again. Under the present terms of the act there would be no authorization for a Federal appropriation after June 1927. Therefore it is hoped that the bill may be passed in this session of the Congress extending the time so that state legislatures meeting in January, 1927, can be assured of a continuation of Federal funds.

On January 14th there was a hearing before the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce of the House of Representatives. Friends of the measure had the satisfaction of presenting as witnesses some of the directors of the Maternity and Infancy administration then in Washington for the annual directors conference. Mrs. Park presided over the hearing.

NOTICE:—to those leagues who have been waiting to write their representatives in congress until the bill was introduced. The numbers of the bills are H. R. 7555. and S. 2696.

Call of the Seventh Annual Convention of the National League of Women Voters

The Board of Directors of the National League of Women Voters hereby calls the affiliated state Leagues and associate members to send delegates to the Seventh Annual Convention to be held at St. Louis, Missouri, from the 14th to the 21st of April, 1926.

From county, town and city, from each Congressional District where the League is organized, *come to St. Louis:*

To celebrate the anniversary of an idea brought forth there in 1919;

To demonstrate that that idea is at work in our political life;

To quicken understanding of the power of political education;

To dissipate those doubts which cloud democratic government in this country today.

Come to St. Louis to see as in a mirror the bright image of a government which is the concern of the whole people.

Come to St. Louis to grasp the patient processes by which that concern may prevail.

Belle Sherwin, President
Carrie Chapman Catt, Honorary President
Florence C. Whitney, First Vice-President
Adele Clark, Second Vice-President
Ruth Morgan, Third Vice-President
Elizabeth J. Hauser, Secretary
Katharine Ludington, Treasurer
Helen King Cheesman, Director, First Region
Gertrude Ely, Director, Second Region
Mary O. Cowper, Director, Third Region
Susan F. Hibbard, Director, Fourth Region
Marguerite M. Wells, Director, Fifth Region
Margretta S. Dietrich, Director, Sixth Region
Maude R. Mott, Director, Seventh Region.

REJOICE!

We in Indiana add our note of rejoicing to the great hymn of rejoicing that can be heard where ever there is a League of Women Voters in the country. The World Court has passed the Senate! With fourteen more than the necessary two-thirds vote! Each one of us can pause for a moment and be glad that we have done our tiny share to bring about the desired result. Imagine the courage of our organization three years ago, to attempt to educate all the voters in as difficult and as complicated a subject as the Permanent Court of International Justice. Think of the miles and miles of errors that have been tracked to cover and exposed—think of the thousands of speeches and classes necessary to bring about the result. Think proudly of the power we have and humbly of the responsibility such power entails,—to act wisely.

News of the Branch Leagues

Princeton. Mr. L. C. Embree talked on Indiana's four pending constitutionl amendments and Mrs. E. B. Funk reviewed the work of the national and state League of Women Voters at the January meeting of the Princeton League.

Terre Haute. "The Sheppard-Towner Act in Indiana" was discussed by Dr. Edith Arthur at the dinner which the Terre Haute League gave at the Clara Fairbank's Home for Aged Women. Mrs. Morris Kleeman told of the work done under this act in other states.

Frankfort. Mr. Pierce Coapstick gave the first of a series of three talks on the organization and funtioning of Congress at the January meeting. Mrs. H. C. Sheridan, Mrs. John Roush, Miss Mabel Love and Miss Grace Griffith were the Committee named to take care of plans for the citizenship school.

Bloomington. At the January meeting Dr. H. H. Young, of the psychology department of the university, spoke on the "Mental Phases of Child Welfare." Several new members were added to the league.

Vincennes. Mrs. T. B. Coulter gave an interesting paper on "Women in Industry" at the January meeting. Plans were made for the annual dinner in February.

Delphi. "Present Day Problems of Rural Education" was the subject of Dr. H. N. Sherwood's talk at the January meeting. Each member was allowed to bring a guest to the co-operative supper.

Evansville. The World Court committee had charge of the program of the January meeting, and Mrs. W. S. Ehrich presided. Mrs. L. R. Halvorsen was hostess for the first of series of teas which the League will hold.

Fairview Township. Mrs. Elsie Ruff of Glenwood was hostess for the January meeting. Dr. W. R. Phillips talked on"Indiana—our Pending Constitutional Amendments." Mrs. W. S. Saxon gave a brief review of the purpose and work of the League.

Indianapolis. Miss Julia Lathrop, councellor of the National League of Women Voters, was the speaker at the luncheon given by the Indianapolis League on January 14, at the Indianapolis Athletic Club. More than one hundred guests were present, and a number of new memberships were taken after the meeting.

Newburgh. The World Court, Juvenile Probation and Know Your County were discussed at the regular meeting of the Newburgh League. Four new memberships were secured.

Bluffton. "The World Court" and the "Sheppard-Towner Act" were the subjects presented at the open meeting of the League. Miss Helen Rogers Hand, state executive secretary, was the speaker. Open discussion followed the talk.

Portland. Mr. Fred Beckdolt talked on the Four Pending Amendments to Indiana's Constitution, and Miss Hand, state executive secretary, told of the work of the League of Women Voters, and some of the measures now being worked for. General discussion followed the talks. After the meeting Miss Hand conferred with the officers of the League.

Hagerstown. Mrs. Charles N. Teetor was hostess for the meeting of the Hagerstown League. Mrs. A. W. Roach of Richmond and Miss Hand, executive secretary, were special guests. Mrs. Roach spoke briefly on "Women and the Political Parties," and Miss Hand talked on the work of the League. The officers conferred with Miss Hand after the meeting.

Marion Township. The following program was presented at the January meeting: "Co-operative Marketing," Mrs. Hauter; "The Pending Amendments to Indiana's Constitution," Attorney Helen Guy; "County Taxes," discussion led by Mrs. Orville Hitchings.

Elkhart. Mrs. Ella B. Kehrer talked on "Child Welfare in Indiana" at the January meeting of the Child Welfare Department. Dr. Ada E. Schweitzer director of the Child Hygiene Division of the State Board of Health, was also present and spoke briefly on the legislative bills to come before the next legislature. Mr. Wiley spoke on "Visual Education" at the monthly meeting of the visual education department. Mrs. Maurice M. Frink, chairman, presided.

Michigan City. More than one hundred and forty members and guests attended the second annual dinner given at the Spaulding Hotel, January 26. Mrs. H. R. Misener, president, presided. She read the annual police report which is being sent to the League. Mrs. L. A. Wilson, chairman of the efficiency in government committee, had charge of the meeting. Mrs. L. L. Kolb of Peru, presented the pros and cons of the four pending amendments to the Indiana Constitution. Miss Helen Rogers Hand, executive secretary of the state League, talked on the purpose and work of the state and national organization.

South Bend. At the January luncheon meeting Mrs. Earl Hummer gave an interesting talk on "Laws Governing Women" and also outlined the Wadsworth-Garret proposals. Mrs. C. A. Carlisle discussed the Maternity and Infancy Act. Mrs. Edna P. Fox, of the American Social Hygiene Association, gave an interesting review of her work. On January 20 the League sponsored a quilt exhibit at the Y. W. C. A. which attracted wide attention, both because of the large number of interesting and unusual exhibits, and because a number of men entered the race and won prizes and honorable mention.

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PROGRAM FOR THE STATE CONVENTION

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

10:00 a. m.

Pre-Convention Board Meeting, Lincoln Hotel

2:00 p. m.

Formal Opening of Convention, Mrs. B. B. White, president, presiding.
Invocation, Rev. Ernest Evans
Greetings from the 7th District and Indianapolis, Mrs. Edna M. Christian
Minutes of the last Convention, Mrs. Walter Greenough
Presentation of the Budget for 1926-27, Miss Sara Lauter
Report of the Education Committee
"Equalization of Educational Opportunity," Dr. Henry N. Sherwood, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
Discussion
Constitutional Revisions (first reading) Mrs. L. L. Kolb
Headquarters Report, Miss Helen Rogers Hand
Treasurer's Report, Mrs. T. H. Mullins
Woman Voter and Secretary's Report, Mrs. Walter Greenough

6:00 p. m.

Group Dinners

Local Presidents, Mrs. Thomas Arthur Stuart, presiding; Miss Florence Harrison, speaker
Local Treasurers and Finance Chairmen, Mrs. Mullins, presiding; Mrs. William G. Hibbard, speaker

8:00 p. m.

Mass Meeting

Music
Speaker—To be announced

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

8:00 a. m.

Round Table Breakfasts of Standing Committees

9:30 a. m.

Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross, Rensselaer, first vice-president, presiding
Report of Program of Work for local Leagues
Constitutional Revisions (special order of business) Mrs. Kolb
President's Address, Mrs. White
Report of Living Costs Committee, Mrs. F. H. Hatfield
Report of International Co-operation to Prevent War, Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl
Report of Social Hygiene Committee, Mrs. Fred J. Longdon
"The Legislative Side of Social Hygiene," Senator C. O. Holmes
Report of the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Richard E. Edwards

12:15 p. m.

Group Luncheon

"Interesting Young Women," Miss Florence Harrison
"Building a Local Program," Mrs. H. R. Misener
"The Value of Publicity," Mrs. Eloise Walton, Miss Kathryn Pickett, Miss Mabel Wheeler.

2:00 p. m.

Mrs. J. E. Neff, third vice-president, presiding
Report of Speakers Bureau
Report of Efficiency in Government Department
Report of Women in Industry Committee, Mrs. Margaret T. Hoop
Report of Child Welfare Committee, Dr. Edna H. Edmondson
"The Sheppard-Towner in Action," Dr. Ada E. Schweitzer
"Pending Amendments to Indiana's Constitution"
Report of the Credentials Committee, Mrs. Lulu S. Halvorsen

7.00 p. m.

Banquet, Mrs. White presiding
Greetings from Governor Jackson
Introduction of New Voters, Mrs. William G. Hibbard, fourth regional director
"The League in Action," Miss Belle Sherwin, president, National League of Women Voters
Entertainment, Miss Sara Lauter
Special Guests: Governor and Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Grace Banta Urbahns, Mrs. Margaret T. Hoop, Miss Blanche Merry, Miss Ina Gaskill, Mrs. Florence R. Boys, Dr. Ada Schweitzer, Mrs. E. F. White, Mrs. Lew Ellingham.

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AGAIN—THE CALL

"There is stimulating work ahead, which must be planned with the enthusiasm and judgment of all the delegates and women interested in good government focussed in convention. We must take council together in convention assembled, in order that we may plan together for the future, to make our Indiana League still more effective as an efficient organization."

The program for the seventh annual convention of the Indiana League of Women Voters has been carefully thought out with just this idea in mind—let us plan *together* for the future of the League in Indiana. Surely, the call to convention will be answered by every delegate from every League in Indiana, and March 24, 25, and 26, will be red-letter days in this year's League calendar.

Lillian J. White,
President.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 26

9:30 a. m.

Miss Emma May, fourth vice-president, presiding
Report of "Woman Citizen" Campaign
Constitutional Revisions, continued, Mrs. Kolb
National Program of Work, Miss Florence Harrison
Adoption of the Budget
Report of Organization Committee, Mrs. H. R. Misener
Report of Resolutions Committee, Mrs. A. C. Clauser
Unfinished Business
ELECTION OF OFFICERS—Polls open from 9:00 to 11:00 a. m.
State Board meeting

3:00 p. m.

Reception at the former Benjamin Harrison Home
Mrs. R. D. Rader, 1264 North Delaware Street, Hostess, assisted by Indianapolis League. New Officers and Board Members, special guests.

PROPOSED PROGRAM OF WORK

(Including Legislative Recommendations)

COMMITTEE ON CHILD WELFARE

I. Recommendations for Legislation to be Supported by Study

Federal

1. Extension of the period of operation of the Maternity and Infancy Act, with adequate appropriation.
2. Adequate appropriation for the Children's Bureau, Department of Labor.
3. Legislation by Congress after ratification by the states of the child labor amendment, establishing national minimum standards for protection of children in industry.
4. Creation of Board of Public Welfare in the District of Columbia.

State

1. Acceptance of the Maternity and Infancy Act and adequate appropriation to secure full benefits of the Act.
2. Ratification of the Child Labor Amendment.

II. Recommendations for Study

1. Maternity and Infancy
   Indiana program for carrying out the purposes of the Maternity and Infancy Act (Sheppard-Towner) and its administration in Indiana.
2. Child Labor and Protective Legislation
   a. Protection afforded by the Indiana law; the effectiveness of its administration; children unprotected under our present law; further educational advantages to children in industry.
   b. Conditions of child labor in the United States that show the need for federal legislation.
3. Protection given by the state to children in need of special care:
   a. Dependents: Aid to mothers of dependent children under the Board of Guardians Law; institutional care and home placing; state supervision and local administration.
   b. Delinquents: A preventive program in schools and juvenile courts; the Indiana State Probation Department and its work.
   c. Defectives: Special education; scientific study and treatment in institutions; appropriations.
4. The work of the State School Attendance Officer.
5. Problems of illegitimacy

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Recommendations for Study

1. School Finance—city and rural
   Ways and means of equalizing financial burden of school support
2. Compulsory School Attendance—city and rural
   Indiana law and it's results
3. How to secure qualified persons on Boards of Education
4. The results of federal aid to education in the states
5. The National League's program for study and legislation.

Recommendations for Legislation to be supported by study

State

1. A Rural Education Bill, to include the fol-

lowing points:
a. Adequate support of public education through: Larger area units for taxation purposes; Apportionment of state school funds according to community need and effort to maintain good educational standards.
b. Equilization of educational opportunity through: Larger units of school administration; Modern administration, school plants, methods; Compulsory education for all children between 6 and 16; Trained teachers in all schools; Systematic education of adult illiterates and foreign born through public school extension classes with English the basic language.
2. Retention of the present School Attendance Law

DEPARTMENT OF EFFICENCY IN GOVERNMENT

Recommendations for Study
1. Four pending amendments to Indiana's Constitution
2. Registration laws
3. The Presidential Primary and national nominating conventions
4. Legislative Bodies, national, state and local
5. County administration
6. Taxation
7. Methods of amending the federal Constitution
8. Federal Aid

Recommendations for Legislation to be supported by study

Local Government
1. The Manager Plan

State
1. The simplification of state administration
2. The shorter ballot of the "office type"
3. Opposition to any attempt to repeal the Direct Primary law at this time.

Federal
1. Opposition to proposals which would make amending the Constitution of the United States more difficult than at present.

COMMITTEE ON LIVING COSTS

Mrs. F. H. Hatfield, chairman

Recommendations for Study
1. The aims, methods and effectiveness of cooperative associations
   Indiana's cooperative market law and it's success
2. The relation between tariff legislation and living costs
3. Study of the most effective utilization of hydro-electric resources of the country from the standpoint of public welfare
4. Study of the production and distribution of the necessities of life
5. Study of the conservation of natural resources—What has been done in Indiana
6. The National League's "Recommendations for Legislation," in its relation to Indiana's laws and needs

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION TO PREVENT WAR

Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, chairman

Recommendations for Study
1. The causes of war
2. World Cooperation
   League of Nations
   Disarmament and Security
3. The foreign policy of the United States
   National Defense Act
   Monroe Doctrine
   Problems of the Pacific
4. The conduct of foreign policy in the United States
5. Duties and powers of the President
   The State Department
   The Senate power of advice and consent

Recommendations for Legislation to be supported by Study
1. Support of measures designed to make the Permanent Court of International Justice effective for peace, such as measures designed to effect outlawry of war, and the progressive codification of international law.
2. Support of measures permitting the United States to take part in international reduction of armaments, and to participate officially in economic and humanitarian conferences and commissions designed to promote international harmony, whether called by the League of Nations, by individual nations or initiated by the United States.

COMMITTEE ON LEGAL STATUS OF WOMEN

Recommendations for Study
1. The survey of changes in the legal and political status of women in the several states
2. The model marriage and divorce law
3. The National League's "Recommendations for Legislation," to be studied in its relation to Indiana's laws and needs.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL HYGIENE

Mrs. F. J. Longdon, chairman

Recommendations for Study
1. Procedure in criminal courts, especially as it relates to women
2. Provision for open clinics for infected men and women, to replace quarantine quarters for women only.
3. Methods of enforcing injunction and abatement laws, and other anti-prostitution measures
4. Probation systems and penal institutions
5. The problems of the work of visiting teachers, probation officers, and policewomen to the prevention of delinquency.
6. The problem of the sterilization of the unfit

RECOMMENDATION FOR LEGISLATION TO BE SUPPORTED BY STUDY

State
1. Support of a bill providing for the sterilization of institutional unfit.

COMMITTEE ON WOMEN IN INDUSTRY

Mrs. Margaret T. Hoop, chairman

Recommendations for Study
The National League's program, particularly
a. Wage problems of women in industry
b. Methods of decreasing industrial hazards to women
c. Maternity benefits for women in industry

Recommendations for Legislation to be supported by Study

State
1. Amendment to present law prohibiting night work of women in manufacturing concerns to include specifically
   a. Eating establishments
   b. Bakeries
   c. Poultry houses
2. Support of a bill providing for a 9 hour day, 54 hour week, for women industrially employed.

News of the Branch Leagues

Rensselaer. The annual party of the Jasper County League, featuring the antiques and heirlooms of the first settlers, was very successful. Music, cards and dominoes added to the occasion, financially and socially. Delegations from Remington, Morocco and Union Township were present.

Portland. The program of the Portland meeting consisted of the report on the action by congress on the Maternity and Infancy Act and the Wadsworth Garrett Amendment.

Bluffton. An invitation to all women interested in good government to attend, was the feature of the Bluffton meeting. A study of city government conducted by Miss Shively made an interesting program.

Terre Haute. The anniversary of George Washington was celebrated at a unique colonial musical tea given at the Edgewood Community Club House. The hostesses were dressed in charming colonial costumes, and more than two hundred guests attended.

Newburg. Mrs. Earl Scales spoke on the "Duties of the County Probation Officer" and reports of the work done in other counties were read. Mrs. Paul Willett led the discussion on the "World Court."

Frankfort. The annual election of officers, resulted in the reelection of Mrs. Paul Meifeld, president, Mrs. H. C. Sheridan, vice-president, Miss Mabel Love, secretary and Mrs. Joseph Agnew, treasurer. Mrs. John Roush was hostess for the meeting and Mr. Pierce Coapstick gave the second of a series of lectures, speaking on "The United States in Diplomatic Relations with the South American Republic."

Princeton. At the regular monthly meeting held in the library, Mrs. A. R. Burton, president, introduced Mrs. S. B. Robinson, who spoke on the proposed county unit school system. Dr. O. T. Brazeslton spoke on the subject of the "Sterilization of the Unfit."

Shelbyville. Mr. Frederick J. Libby of Washington D. C. spoke before the Shelbyville League at the meeting held in the council chamber of the city hall. The American Legion, The Women's Auxiliary, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the War Mothers and the Y. W. C. A. joined in sponsoring the meeting. The board of directors of the Shelbyville League were entertained at dinner, and met with Miss Helen Hand, executive secretary.

South Bend. The Citizenship School, held under the auspices of the South Bend League was addressed by Mrs. B. B. White, state president and the Rev. Michael Mulcaire of Notre Dame. Before the afternoon session, Mrs. White was entertained at luncheon given by the executive board.

Valparaiso. The Sarah Kinsey Memorial was the place selected for the regular meeting of the Valparaiso League. The subject "The Municipal Pocketbook: How it is Filled" was given by Mrs. Leigh Keene; "How it is Emptied" by Mrs. John Oldham.

Michigan City. Senator C. Oliver Holmes gave an address on "Social Health" at the meeting of the Michigan City League held in the Spaulding Hotel. Fifteen of the seventeen members of the executive board met for dinner at the home of Mrs. F. V. Martin. The LaPorte women, as a result of their attendance at the annual banquet of the Michigan City League have asked that the organization establish a branch in LaPorte.

Peru. The Peru League asked a number of organizations to cooperate with the Social Hygiene Committee, of which Mrs. John Bossart is chairman, in making the meeting for Senator C. Oliver Holmes, successful. Senator Holmes addressed the League on the practical working out of the problems of social health.

Brookville. The League held an interesting all day meeting at the Community Room. Supt. Michael Bossert spoke on the "County Unit," Mrs. A. J. Cooksey on "Women's Work in Municipalities," Mrs. E. W. Showalter explained the work of "The County Board of Children's Guardians." William Baker talked on the Memorial Building and Mrs. R. C. O'Byrne on the Maternity and Infancy Act.

Delphi. Mrs. Russell Wilson was hostess for the Delphi League at an evening meeting to which the men were especially invited. Prof. Virgil Stinebaugh and Attorney John Hamlin Jr. spoke on the pending amendments to the Indiana Constitution.

Tippecanoe County. The monthly luncheon meeting of the League featured C. H. Robertson, who spoke on "Some Problems of China interesting to Women." Members of home and foreign missionary societies were invited as special guests.

Bloomington. The monthly meeting of the League took the form of a pot luck luncheon at the public library. Dr. B. D. Myers spoke on "Social Hygiene," and Miss Wadsworth was chairman of the Welfare Committee having the meeting in charge.

Vincennes. The annual luncheon of the Vincennes League held in the dining room of the First Presbyterian Church proved to be a brilliant affair. Mrs. Edward Franklin White, Indianapolis, was speaker of the afternoon, and Mrs. William Allen Cullop, president, presided.

Evansville. Study groups in Living Costs were formed by the Evansville League with the following committee in charge of arranging the groups and outlining the courses of study: Mrs. J. R. Anderson, Mrs. L. R. Halvorsen, Mrs. E. A. Torrance, Mrs. Frederick Lauenstein and Mrs. O. R. Webb.

Indianapolis. Indiana was represented at the regional house party given by Mrs. William Hibbard of Winnetka for new voters by Miss Katherine Bowlby of Indianapolis. Frederick J. Libby was the speaker at the regular meeting of the League, held at the Spink-Arms Hotel. The subject of his address was "The World Court in Action."

Fairview Township. The program of the meeting, with Mrs. W. S. Saxon as hostess, consisted of talks on the county administration of the Board's of Children's Guardians law, given by Mrs. T. E. Murphy; the Maternity and Infancy Act by Mrs. Earl Ruff, and the results of the campaign for the World Court by Mrs. Hugh Beaver.

Elkhart. Mrs. B. B. White was the speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Elkhart League, with Mrs. J. J. Littrell chairman of the department of politics and civics in charge. The first of a series of card and dancing parties was held at the League Chapter House, with a dinner preceeding. Daughters of club members served the dinner. The Little Theatre Department presented Prof. E. G. Frazier of Indiana University who spoke on the "Plays of Barrie."

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OUR PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff

START NOW—STOP NEVER!

The retiring officers of the Indiana League of of Women Voters are to be heartily congratulated on the splendid way in which they have carried on our work. While expressing sincere appreciation for their past services, may we join in expecting from them even more in the future —more in experienced counsel, more in trained execution. In a multipartisan organization like our League the personnel of the official list is of trifling importance compared with the unity and energy with which we all cooperate in advancing our *woman size* program.

A study of our job reveals the fact that the state League is a great educational institution with all Indiana for its field and with the national program for its curriculum. Many of the subjects offered are laboratory courses which must be worked out in the local community.

One of the novel features of this League school is that the text-books cannot be purchased. No publisher can keep abreast of these rapidly developing subjects. Therefore each pupil must make her own text. This compilation of one's own individual text offers an opportunity to make valuable contributions.

Every member would do well to start "A League Worker's File" for 1926-27 with this issue of The Woman Voter. Every issue of this paper will contain explanations of the national program and data about the state organization which will supplement the plans for each local League. These papers can easily be filed in manilla folders. A group of these folders, properly labelled and classified should contain all the pamphlets, clippings, and notes one can assemble on the various lines of interest. It may be convenient to use two folders for the work of each committee, one for pamphlets, and the other for personal notes and clippings from magazines and from state and local papers. This file will grow as the material accumulates. It will be complete only at the close of the year.

The League Worker's File can be compactly slipped into a heavy envelope with a side opening, or it can be kept in a pasteboard box. The utility of this simple system is that one need take out only the folder containing the specific subjects wanted at a particular time for study or for committee work. The suggestion here given is for the simplest and least expensive type of file. Those who visit the office supply store will find attractive books and containers devised by specialists. Indeed, Miss Belle Sherwin has arranged a perfect pamphlet holder planned especially for the convenience of League members.

Prosaic as this suggestion may seem, it is fundamental. System in method so economizes time and effort that it multiplies accomplishment. The success of the League this year depends on each member understanding our program and interpreting it to her community. So—in reading the Woman Citizen, the Woman Voter, magazines, papers, and books,—clip, note, and file. Then study and interpret.

Our League program touches almost every serious public problem of the time. It is worth our best effort. One method of encouraging and effectuating effort is a League Worker's File. Start Now—Stop Never.

—*Frances Doan Streightoff.*

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EDITORIAL

Telegrams reflecting love and admiration, bearing congratulations and good wishes from citizens and organizations in Terre Haute, showering in on our retiring president, Mrs. B. B. White, on the night of the State Convention Banquet are quite symbolic of the high esteem in which our president is held in every quarter. Indiana cannot value too highly the women who give in so large a measure and so unselfishly of their time and energies in order that GOOD GOVERNMENT MAY PREVAIL. Those who have had the rare priviledge of serving on the State Board under the regime of Mrs. White have seen the League grow and become firmly rooted. Our deepest thanks and congratulations go to Mrs. White.

Resolutions of appreciation of the work of the state president and other League officers for the year, members of the board and chairmen of convention committees were passed at the State Convention.

The State League was most fortunate in that it was able to present Miss Belle Sherwin, our national president, as speaker at the convention banquet. Mrs. Susan F. Hibbard, our fourth regional director, remained in Indianapolis throughout the convention. Miss Florence Harrison, regional secretary, was present constantly to explain points in the tremendous program of the National League. The State League benefited greatly by these direct contacts with those who are most responsible for the development of the League.

In the death of Mrs. Lucile Myers of Hammond, the Indiana League of Women Voters has suffered an irreparable loss. Mrs. Myers was county probation officer, and in investigating a case of destitution she was killed. The tragedy has been a source of intense personal grief to the host of friends among League members throughout the state. There never has been a more loyal worker in the Indiana League, nor one whose death is more deeply mourned.

OUR OFFICERS

Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff of Indianapolis was made president; Mrs. L. L. Kolb of Peru, first vice-president; Mrs. H. R. Misener of Michigan city, second vice-president; Mrs. J. E. Neff, South Bend, third vice-president; Mrs. Paul Meifeld, Frankfort, secretary; Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross, Rensselaer, treasurer. The newly elected board members are Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, Muncie, Mrs. Russell Fortune, Indianapolis, and Mrs. White of Terre Haute.

The hold over members of the board include Mrs. Charles Arthur Carlisle, South Bend; Mrs. Ella Bagott Kehrer, Anderson; Mrs. Theodore J. Louden, Bloomington; Miss Gartrude McHugh, Indianapolis; Miss Anna O'Flynn, Vincennes; Mrs. Thomas Arthur Stuart, Lafayette; Mrs. O. R. Webb, Evansville; Miss Emma May, Terre Haute, and Miss Sara Lauter, Indianapolis.

The district directors and the standing committee chairmen will be announced in the next issue of the Voter. The change in the constitution concerning the district chairmen necessitates action by the board of directors.

THE PRIMARY

The following list of officers are to be elected in Marion County. These officers will be the same in other counties with the following exceptions: Twenty-five of the fifty senators hold over for the next session and therefore, only twenty-five will be elected this year. The number of state representatives varies in different counties and the judges are different in most counties. The county officers are the same, except that in some counties the auditor, clerk and recorder hold over and will not be elected this year. The township officers and the federal officers will be the same in all counties.

FEDERAL OFFICERS. U. S. Senator, 6 year term, 1; U. S. Senator, Short Term, 1; Representative in Congress 7th Ind. Dist., 1.

STATE OFFICERS. State Senator, 1; State Representatives, 11; State Representative, Joint with Johnson County, 1.

COUNTY OFFICERS. Judge, 19th Circuit, 1; Prosecuting Attorney, 19th Circuit. 1; Judge Supreme Court, Rooms 1-2-3-4-5, 1 each; Judge Juvenile Court, Juvenile Probate Court Judge, Judge Criminal Court, 1 each; Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Recorder, Sheriff, Assessor, Surveyor, Coroner, Commissioners.

TOWNSHIP OFFICERS. Justice of the Peace, 1; Assessor, 1; Trustees, 1; Advisory Board, 3; Constable, 1.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, ST. LOUIS, APRIL 14-20

PROGRAM

REGISTRATION ON SIXTEENTH FLOOR OF THE HOTEL STATLER

"To quicken understanding of the power of political education"

The General Council is called to pre-convention and post-convention sessions.

WED., April 14, 2:00 to 5:00 P. M.

Open Conferences—Group A.

Department of Efficiency in Government—Miss Belle Sherwin, Chairman

Committee on Social Hygiene—Mrs. Ann Webster, Chairman

Committee on Women in Industry.

7:30 to 10:30 P. M.—*Open Conferences—Group B.*

Department of International Cooperation to Prevent War—Miss Ruth Morgan, Chairman.

Committee on Child Welfare—Mrs. Percy T. Walden, Chairman

Committee on Living Costs—Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin, Chairman

THURS., April 15, 9:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

Open Conferences—Group C.

Committee on Education—Miss Cornelia Adair, Chairman

Committee on Legal Status of Women—Miss Esther Dunshee, Chairman

Executive Sessions—Group B (as above).

2:00 P. M.—*Executive Sessions—Group C.*

Committee on Education and Legal Status of Women.

3:00 P. M.—Excursion for Delegates.

7:00 P. M.—Press Dinner. Presiding, Mrs. Whitney.

FRI., April 16, 9:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. Opening Session.

Greetings, Reports of National Officers. Recommendations from General Council—Presentation of Program of Work—Action on Revision of By-Laws.

1:00 P. M. Regional Luncheons followed by Regional Conferences.

8:00 P. M. Presidents Evening—Speakers, Miss Belle Sherwin, Mrs. Maud Wood Park, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt.

SAT., April 17. 9:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. Business Session.

Action on Program of the Department of Efficiency in Government.

Report of the Nominating Committee.

1:00 P. M. New Voters' Luncheon. Presiding, Mrs. Dietrich.

8:00 P. M. "Practical Politics and New Voter." Presiding, Mrs. Ely. Speakers, Mrs. Mabel Willebrandt, Mrs. John Jacob Rogers, Miss Marie Wing.

SUN., April 18. 3:15 P. M. Mass Meeting—"The Progress of International Cooperation Toward Peace." Presiding, Miss Morgan.

MON., April 19. 9:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. Business Session. Action on Program of Child Welfare, Social Hygiene, Legal Status of Women, Action on Finance and Budget Plan.

2:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. Six Round Tables on Organization. State Organization. Local Leagues (numerically designated) Urban and Rural Leagues.

7:00 P. M. Gala Finance Banquet. Presiding, Miss Ludington.

TUE., April 20. 9:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. Business Session. Presentation of Prizes in "Every Member a Money Raiser" contest. Report on Special Committee on Immigration. Action on Program of Committees on Living Costs, Women in Industry, Organization Summaries, 1926, Goals for 1927.

2:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. Business Session. Action on Program of Department of International Cooperation to Prevent War. International Woman Suffrage Alliance. Inter-American Union of Women. Introduction of New Officers.

8:00 P. M. Mass Meeting. "How Democracy Functions Through Parties." Speaker to be announced.

TO REPRESENT INDIANA AT ST. LOUIS

Mrs. H. R. Misener of Michigan City, second vice-president of the Indiana League will speak on "Local League Programs" at the Organization Conference. Mrs. Walter S. Greenough represents the fourth region on the national nominating committee, and will also represent Indiana at "New Members" conference. Mrs. Frank D. Hatfield will report on "Living Costs" at the "Regional Luncheon" for the fourth district on April 16.

Indiana will have the following delegation; Mrs. Edna M. Christian, Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff, Mrs. Greenough, Mrs. Hatfield, Miss Katherine Bowlby of Indianapolis; Mrs. Charles B. Stuart, and Mrs. Thomas Arthur Stuart of Lafayette; Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, of Muncie; Mrs. Charles N. Teetor; Mrs. R. C. Small, Hagerstown; Mrs. O. R. Webb, Mrs. Frederick Lauenstien, Mrs. W. S. Ehrich, Mrs. Lula S. Halvorsen of Evansville; Mrs. W. A. Cullop, Mrs. N. E. Beckes, Mrs. T. B. Coulter, Vincennes; Mrs. B. B. White, Miss Emma May, Terre Haute; Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross, Rensselaer; Mrs. Mary Gallahan Kolb, Peru, and Mrs. Misener.

News of the Branch Leagues

BLOOMINGTON has elected the following officers: Mrs. Joseph A. Neill, president; Mrs. J. E. Switzer first vice-president; Mrs. Frank Headley treasurer; Mrs. Alexander King corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. R. Mayor, recording secretary. The League supported a picture show, proceeds from which were used to develop the civics program. On March 14 Mr. Frank G. Bates spoke on "Managerial Forms of Government: City and County."

VINCENNES elected the following officers: Mrs. William Allan Cullop, president; Mrs. Henry Kixmiller, first vice-president; Mrs. Sam Lyons, second vice-president; Mrs. C. B. O'Donnell, third vice-president; Mrs. N. E. Becks, secretary; Mrs. Anna C. O'Flynn, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Arthur A. Clark, treasurer. The League met at the home of Mrs. John Riddle.

FAIRVIEW TOWNSHIP met with Mrs. W. S. Saxon in the March meeting. The president Mrs. A. J. Britt was ill, and messages of good will and affection were sent her. Mrs. Hugh Beaver discussed World Court Questions. Mrs. T. E. Murphy presented an outline of the probation work in Fayette County, and Mrs. Elsie Ruff gave a parliamentary drill.

DELPHI held a market at the McFarland Grocery. Senator Holmes of Gary spoke on April 6th at a banquet at the Presbyterian Church.

ELKHART. Mrs. Tom H. Keene and Mrs. Fred Russell were in charge of a "family night" supper given in the Women's League building. Mrs. Mildred Tingley of the home economics staff of Purdue University, Rev. Fr. Emiel, Mrs. B. B. White and Mrs. M. H. Morris of Toledo, DeWulf C. S. C., were speakers in March and April.

EVANSVILLE has had an interesting series of meetings for the discussion of "Living Costs." Mrs. J. R. Anderson is chairman of the Living Costs Committee. Members of the Committee are Mrs. E. A. Torrence, Mrs. L. R. Halvorsen, Miss Bernandette Keller, Mrs. O. R. Webb, and Mrs. R. G. Bennett. Five Evansville members accepted an invitation to attend the Princeton League meeting in March.

FRANKLIN claims Mrs. Edna E. Swift who conducted the Citizenship School in the Lauter Memorial in Indianapolis. Mrs. Swift is the daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Wood of Franklin.

JASPER held their regular meeting with Miss Anna Hunter and Mrs. C. O. Schoier.

LAFAYETTE League held an open meeting at Trinity M. E. Church with Professor George I. Christie of Purdue speaking on Agriculture. Mrs. T. Arthur Stuart presided. Supper was served.

MICHIGAN CITY has expressed its appreciation of the work of Mrs. Carina C. Warrington as State Probation Officer.

NEWBURG met on March fourth to discuss Congressional Legislation.

INDIANAPOLIS conducted a Citizenship School at Butler College. Professor Hoard E. Jenson, Mrs. Grace Julian Clarke, Mr. E. O. Snethen and Mr. Henry Bentley of Cincinnatti, Ohio were speakers. Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin, National Chairman of Living Costs in the League was speaker at an especially called luncheon March 16.

PERU had for speaker Senator C. O. Holmes of Gary. All ministers of the city and presidents of the Parent Teacher Associations were guests.

Miss Louise Wolfe talked on "Taxes" to a number of League members in the public assembly room of the Peru Trust Company.

PORTLAND held an especial guest day meeting at the home of Mrs. C. W. McLaughlin, with Mrs. Harry Teeter assistant hostess. Officers were elected: Miss Gertrude Gilpin, president; Mrs. H. R. Crebb, vice-president; Mrs. Harry Teeter, secretary; Mrs. Wheeler Ashcraft, treasurer.

PRINCETON held an interesting meeting at the Pullman Hotel. County clubs were represented. Mrs. William S. Ehrick spoke ably on the "World Court" and visiting members from the Evansville League talked on Living Costs.

RENSSELAER and the Marion Township League held an open meeting in the library auditorium. Mrs. A. A. Hoover discussed "The Primary" and Mrs. Perry Horton "State Taxes."

SHELBYVILLE plans a Child Welfare meeting for April.

SOUTH BEND has elected the following officers: Mrs. L. S. Sickencher, president; Mrs. C. A. Carlysle honorary president; Mrs. A. E. Martin, first vice-president; Mrs. George Phillips, second vice-president; Mrs. Clarence Whitmer, recording secretary; Mrs. Floyd Jellison, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Earl Hummer, treasurer.

TERRE HAUTE has a Junior League of Women Voters, organized March 3rd at the Community House at the Terre Haute Normal. Mrs. White entertained with a beautifully appointed tea. As a compliment to the Junior League the Terre Haute League chartered a bus to bring members to Indianapolis to the State Convention. Twenty-eight girls came, accompanied by Mrs. Jessie Burford, dean of women, Miss Rose Cox, and Mrs. L. N. Hines. Officers of the new Junior League are: Miss Frances Bell, president; Miss Flora Smith, first vice-president; Mrs. May Snyder, second vice-president; Miss Joy Fitzsimmons, secretary; Miss Frances Hand, treasurer.

VALPARAISO has elected the following officers: Mrs. C. W. Boucher, president; Mrs. G. R .Douglas, first vice-president; Mrs. T. O. Dillon, second vice-president; Mrs. L. T. Fredericks, third vice-president; Mrs. Homer Black, secretary; Mrs. Ira Tilton, recording secretary; Mrs. J. W. McNeely, treasurer. Mr. Frank G. Bates of Indiana University was speaker at the March meeting.

NUMBERS OF THE WOMAN VOTER

Save, file and bind your Voters. Mrs. Streightoff, with the help of State Committee Chairmen will prepare a number of study outlines, which will be published from month to month.

The editor will be glad to have personal notes from Branch Leagues about their activities. Newspaper clippings are not always adequate Write in your suggestions about the Voter. How can we get more advertising?

We cannot too deeply appreciate Mrs. Walter S. Greenough's work on the Voter. The new editor most humbly wishes to continue a publication which will be pleasing and helpful to members.

Mary N. Hatfield.

GEMS. The first State University was established in Georgia. One thousand three hundred orchid specimens have been collected by a botanist from the Smithsonia Institute.

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THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

All those Leaguers from Indiana who attended the national convention at St. Louis, April 14-21, came home newly impressed with the power and intellectual integrity of the personelle of the organization. The program of the convention was extremely well done, with moments of high inspiration that never can be forgotten. It is more remarkable that the speakers maintained such an even level of excellence because during the first three days there were conventions within conventions to the number of the eight standing committees, each one of whom had charge of an open and an executive meeting. During the organization meetings, the same conditions prevailed, for there were conferences for state organization, and organization in communities over 100,000, between 10,000 and 100,000, organization and finance, urban county leagues and rural county leagues, taking place at the same time.

The mass meetings were marked by speakers of authority and dignity. The evening of presidents, with Mrs. Park and Miss Sherwin giving thoughtful and impressive pictures of the work of the organization and Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, who took the place of Mrs. Catt, providing her own delightful humor; the International Co-operation mass meeting, with Dr. Shotwell making history for the League in the public pronouncement of a policy of neutrality for the United States which included the sale of no war materials to belligerent nations; the meeting devoted to the political problems of economic groups,—were of equal excellence.

The two banquets on the program provided a delightful and stimulating contrast. Perhaps the most unique program of the entire convention was given at the press banquet, with representatives of the leading newspapers and magazines featured as five minute speakers, with the "Extra" four page paper full of clever shafts of wit, with the "Ballot Box Revue" a sparkling little gem of entertainment. The remarkable achievement of the gala finance dinner, presided over by Miss Katharine Ludington, treasurer, and planned by Miss Louise Griffith, her versatile executive secretary, in raising $94,000 towards the national quota of $136,000, over shadowed the program and the clever arrangements for the sale of bonds. In fact when it is realized that for four years, Miss Ludington and Miss Griffith have raised more individually than all of the states have contributed collectively, the magnitude of this contribution to League work becomes apparent.

Ninety-one college delegates came for the new voters conference over Saturday and Sunday, and the sessions devoted to them were most interesting and vital. Miss Dorothy Nordholdt of Indianapolis, who spoke for the industrial group, received an ovation at the end of her remarks. In fact, if prominence in a convention is any indication of growth, Indiana has made a very definite advance since the Richmond convention. Mrs H. R. Misener of Michigan City spoke on the organization program.

The business sessions were characterized by dignity and parliamentary proceedure that our national and state legislative bodies would be hard put to it, to equal. As usual, the debate from the floor was pointed, brilliant and showed a technical knowledge among the delegates that was amazing.

The St. Louis women, under the direction of Mrs. George Gellhorn and Mrs. Ernest Stitz, provided unique social features. There were three different teas, a drive about the city, a lovely Sunday evening musicale, various features on the regular program and a sustained interest in each delegate that made every one feel personally welcomed to the city. The magnitude and detail of the physical arrangements for such a large and complicated convention entailed months of planning and work and financing by the St. Louis women, ably abetted by Mrs. Constance Rittenhouse, convention secretary.

The fourth regional luncheon became an ovation for Mrs. William Hibbard, our regional director and for Miss Harrison, regional secretary, and this ovation assumed special significance when it was realized that more delegates attended, more new voters came from the fourth region than from any other in the United States.

The Indiana delegation to the national convention included Mrs. Thomas Arthur Stuart, Lafayette, chairman; Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross, Rensselaer, "Whip of the delegation"; Mrs. Charles N. Teetor and Mrs. N. O. Small of Hagerstown; Mrs. Charles B. Stuart, Lafayette; Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, Muncie; Mrs. W.

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LEAGUE FINANCES

Each year it becomes increasingly apparent that finance is a definite and dignified part of the general program of the League of Women Voters, needing the same careful consideration and study by every member which is given to other parts of the program. Those delegates and members who attended the state and national conventions realized more than ever the need of better understanding by *every member* of the whole question of finance in its relation to the effective carrying out of the program of the League of Women Voters.

Local budgets, which include quotas to the state and national Leagues, should be prepared NOW, and plans for raising local League quotas to the state should be perfected before local Leagues disband for the summer. A detailed report of these plans should be sent to the state finance chairman by each local treasurer so that the state may know just how much money to expect each month of the year. With a general election, a legislative session and the preparation of material for use by local Leagues, the state League feels the need of sustained financial support by every member of every League.

The state convention adopted a budget for the coming year and also approved the plan of the Finance Committee of allotting quotas to local Leagues. Please study the budget as outlined below and ask that the quota allotted your League be discussed at the next meeting, if it has not already been accepted, bearing in mind that all money is spent with the idea of serving every member of every local League.

BUDGET FOR 1926-1927

For State Work, including maintenance of State Headquarters and Indiana's Quota to the National League	$7,500.00

HOW THE MONEY WILL BE RAISED

By the Local Leagues	
From membership dues and sale of Citizenship Bonds, which shall include each local League's share of its District's dues to the National League	$5,000.00
By the State Finance Committee	
From the sale of Citizenship Bonds in unorganized communities; from advertising in the Year Book and "Woman Voter"	2,500.00

HOW THE MONEY WILL BE SPENT

General Office Expense		
Rent	$ 600.00	
Telephone	70.00	
Telegraph	50.00	
Supplies	220.00	$ 940.00
Salaries		
Executive Secretary	$2,000.00	
Part-time helper	600.00	$2,600.00
Organization		
Travelling expenses for organization		600.00
State Convention		300.00
National League Quota		1,500.00
Debt (Lincoln National Bank)		900.00
"Woman Voter"		660.00
		$7,500.00

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC. REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, OF THE WOMAN VOTER, PUBLISHED MONTHLY, EXCEPT AUGUST, AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FOR APRIL, 1926.

State of Indiana, County of Marion, SS.:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Frances Doan Streightoff, President, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that she is the publisher of the Woman Voter and that the following is, to the best of her knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in Section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse side of this form, to-wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:

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3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages or other securities are: (If there are none, so state) None.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholders or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by her.

INDIANA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS,
Mrs. Frances Doan Streightoff, President.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of
(SEAL) Notary Public.

PENDING AMENDMENTS TO THE INDIANA CONSTITUTION

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS:

Proposed Amendment in Heavy Type

ARTICLE II, Section 14. All general elections shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November; but township elections may be held at such time as may be provided by law; PROVIDED, That the General Assembly may provide by law for the election of all judges of courts of general or appellate jurisdiction, by an election to be held for such officers only, at which time no other officer shall be voted for; and may also provide for the registration of all personal entitled to vote. **In providing for the registration of persons entitled to vote, the General Assembly shall have power to classify the several counties, townships, cities and towns of the state into classes, and to enact laws prescribing a uniform method of registration in any or all of such classes.**

EXTENSION OF TERMS AND INCREASE OF SALARIES OF PUBLIC OFFICERS:

ARTICLE XV, Section 2. When the duration of any office is not provided for by this Constitution, it may be declared by law; and if not so declared, such office shall be held during the pleasure of the authority making the appointment. But the General Assembly shall not create any office, the tenure of which shall be longer than four (4) years, **nor shall the term of office or salary of any officer fixed by this Constitution or by law be increased during the term for which such officer was elected or appointed.**

ENUMERATION OF VOTERS:

Present Provision of Constitution

ARTICLE IV, Section 4. The General Assembly shall, at its second session after the adoption of this Constitution, and every sixth year thereafter, cause an enumeration to be made of all the male inhabitants over the age of twenty-one years.

ARTICLE IV, Section 5. The number of Senators and Representatives shall, at the session next following each period of making such enumeration, be fixed by law, and apportioned among the several counties, according to the number of male inhabitants, above twenty-one years of age in each: PROVIDED, That the first and second elections of members of the General Assembly, under this Constitution, shall be according to the apportionment last made by the General Assembly, before the adoption of this Constitution.

Proposed Amendment

ARTICLE IV, Section 4. The General Assembly shall during the period between the general election in the year 1928 and the convening of the legislature in 1929, and every sixth year **thereafter, cause to be** ascertained the number of votes cast for all the candidates for Secretary of State in the different counties at the last preceding general election.

ARTICLE IV, Section 5. The number of Senators and Representatives shall, at the session next following each period when the number of votes cast for the office of Secretary of State shall be ascertained, be fixed by law, and apportioned among the several counties, according to the number of votes so cast for all of the candidates for the office of Secretary of State at such last preceding general election.

TAXATION:

Present Provision of Constitution

ARTICLE X, Section 1. The General Assembly shall provide, by law, for a uniform and equal rate of assessment and taxation, and shall prescribe such regulations as shall secure a just valuation of all property, both real and personal, excepting such only for municipal, educational, literary, scientific, religious or charitable purposes, as may be specially exempted by law.

Proposed Amendment

ARTICLE X, Section 1. The General Assembly shall provide by law for a system of taxation.

ARTICLE X, Section 8. (New) The General Assembly may provide by law for levy and collection of taxes on incomes and from whatever source derived, in such cases and amounts, and in such manner, as shall be prescribed by law and reasonable exemptions may be provided.

On April 5th, the House of Representatives passed H. R. 7555 by a vote of 218 to 44. This bill is the one which will extend the time of the authorization for the appropriation for the Maternity and Infancy Act for two years. The Senate has not yet acted on the measure. Have you told the Indiana Senators how you feel about this measure?

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News of the Branch Leagues

Terre Haute. A one day pre-primary school was held at the Y. W. C. A. on April 24, by the Terre Haute League of Women Voters. "County Administration" and "Taxation" were the two subjects on the morning program, followed by discussion. "City Manager Plan" and "The Short Ballot" were the subjects of round tables held during the morning. "Civic Consciousness' and "The Primary" were the subjects of the afternoon lecture. At the evening session the Normal School League sang several songs, candidates gave three-minute talks, and President Hines gave a short talk on the "The Needs of the Indiana State Normal School."

Evansville. Mrs. O. R. Webb was re-elected president at the April meeting of the League, Mrs. Carl Pate, first vice-president; Mrs. E. J. Fehn, second vice-president; Mrs. Lucien Hayden, secretary; and Mrs. Arthur Bonham, treasurer. Reports from the state convention were given by Mrs. Lulu Halvorsen, Mrs. W. S. Ehrich and Mrs. J. R. Anderson.

Lafayette. At the last luncheon meeting of the season Prof. Richard Dukes, Purdue University, spoke on "The Relation of Industry to Public Opinion" and Mr. Paul Huston, also of Purdue, talked on "Immigration and Emigration." The state convention was reported by Mrs. S. P. Haywood, Sr., Mrs. Blanche Ruffner, Mrs. Robert Ferriday, Mrs. C. B. Stuart and Mrs. W. H. Parkinson.

Portland. Mrs. Lon Yeager was hostess for the regular monthly meeting. Mrs. Clyde Emerick talked on the "Co-operative Market Law." Mrs. Oren Holsapple and Mrs. Clyde Harris furnished music and Mrs. Jerome Hurrle, accompanied by Mrs. Holsapple gave a musical reading.

Indianapolis. The first of a series of membership teas was given by Miss Florence Howell at her home in April. Mrs. George C. Finfrock spoke on "The City Manager Form of Government."

Michigan City. Senator Claude Steele talked on "Co-operative Market Laws" and the "County Unit Bill" at the April meeting. Mrs. W. C. Haviland was hostess for the monthly meeting of the Board. A benefit card party was given by the League at the Spaulding Hotel. An exhibition contest was a part of the evening's program.

Newburgh. "The Norris Bill", "The Proposed Budget for 1926", "The National Convention at St. Louis" and "Congressional Measures" were topics discussed at the regular monthly meeting.

Delphi. Senator C. O. Holmes of Gary, was the speaker at the dinner meeting of the League. He spoke on "The Legislative Side of Social Hygiene." Mrs. James P. Wason, president, presided.

Vincennes. Mrs. J. B. E. LaPlante was hostess for the regular monthly meeting, assisted by Mrs. Thomas Coulter, Mrs. D. F. Culbertson and Miss Helen LaCroix. Reports of the state convention were given by Mrs. Alice Kixmiller and Mrs. N. E. Beckes. Mrs. Kixmiller presided in the absence of the president.

Elkhart. Rev. Emil DeWulf, professor of astronomy at Notre Dame University, was the speaker at the annual dinner given at the Women's League building. Mrs. J. J. Littrell, vice-president, presided. Reports of the state convention were given by Mrs. Littrell, Mrs. Wilbur Templin and Mrs. J. C. Boss at the regular meeting, April 12.

South Bend. Mrs. Floyd Gaumer has been appointed general chairman for the League for Music Week and Mrs. A. R. Erskine assistant chairman. The League has co-operated in local observance for three years.

Jasper County. The Jasper County League of Women Voters gave a co-operative luncheon for the forty-four precinct committee women of both parties, the last of April. A round table discussion followed the luncheon on the duties of the committeewomen and how the League can help them train women to realize their citizenship.

Bluffton. Miss Snively continued her series of talks on "County Government" based on the "Know Your County" outline at the April meeting.

Members from ten local Leagues attended the Thirteenth District Convention in Michigan City, May 1. Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross and Mrs. H. R. Misener represented the state board. Mrs. Edward Franklin White, Indianapolis, was the special speaker.

Mrs. L. L. Kolb, organization chairman, is scheduling speakers on the national convention and expects to reach every League in the state within the month. Wherever possible delegates will be routed with their own districts. Mrs. Walter Greenough will visit college Leagues. Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff will attend the Bloomington League May 14, and the Peru League May 18.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

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THE INDIANA DISTRICT CONVENTION AND THE WOMAN VOTER

During the coming year the Woman Voter would like to be the medium through which local district programs are published. When these conventions come, the Voter invites you to use its pages.

A district convention could be featured from many angles in the pages of the Voter. Pictures of leading members, pictures of beauty spots in the convention city, feature articles about the splendid local work which the League has been carrying on, proposals for committee study during the coming year are needed for the Voter.

The work of one district is an inspiration to another. The Voter is the best medium we have in the State to disseminate information about League work. Make good use of it.

The Voter, for the month devoted chiefly to a district in action, should give the district members added incentive to get advertising from local merchants. Extra copies of the Voter could be passed from door to door in a city at the opening of the convention. The wide circulation would advertise the League, would advertise the town and would give wide publicity to **goods advertised.**

A Voter issue could be made as elaborate as the district desires. Rates for advertising would be increased in finer editions of the Voter. But if the program is a souvenir of the town which every citizen would like for his library table, a community service is performed. The finer a book is the more eager merchants will be to advertise in it.

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A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

There has arrived from national headquarters the program of work for 1926-27. It cannot be called new for it contains almost all the old program. However, it is improved and brought up to date.

This program of work has been years in developing. It's latest revision was started last January with suggestions made by local Leagues all over the United States The recommendations offered have been studied since and worked over by state and by national boards of directors, in open conferences and in closed conferences preceding the national convention, in two or three sessions of the convention itself, and finally by the national council, composed of the national board and the state presidents. These various groups are made up of individuals who themselves are members of local Leagues, and so constantly there has been uppermost the thought of what would be of greatest interest and assistance to the thousands of local Leagues the program is designed to serve. This prolonged study and this infinite care has produced a plan of work worthy of all the effort it cost.

One thing, finally is needed to render that program of work useful, — workers, — Volunteer Workers, — yes, TRAINED VOLUNTEER WORKERS!

Recently a young woman, a hired executive, who is well equipped for her profession and who functions efficiently, remarked with reference to her work, "You see I am paid for my job and so it is necessary that I do it well. It is different from your committee work." Such words can scarcely be understood by the homemaker who delights to spend her "married woman's margin" of time in educational and civic work of the League, or by the nonprofessional woman and the woman of leisure who choose this field for their spare hours.

Every service, every work well done holds its reward. For the salaried executive there are two possible rewards. For the volunteer worker there is no money remuneration. For the paid worker, no matter how meagre her accomplishment, there is still a cash return. To the "volunteer" all depends on doing the job well in order to gain joy in service. For that reason all vol-

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THREE HOURS A WEEK

There is a national organization, depending entirely on volunteer work from girls of wealth and leisure, that has grown almost miraculously. The unique factor in this growth is the pledge each girl takes upon accepting membership,—that she will devote three hours every week to the work of the organization, exclusive of meetings. If for any reason, she can not fulfill her pledge in any one week, she must make up the full amount of the time or drop out. Three hours a week out of her life belong to her organization.

There is another national organization whose growth has been quite as miraculous and whose influence, because of the fundamental ideals upon which it is based, is, possibly, farther reaching. This organization is the League of Women Voters. The League has, from its inception, set a high standard of service. The service of the national organization to the states, the state organizations to the local Leagues, has made it necessary to comandeer the full time of expert women. In order to secure all of the time and capabilities of these women, it has been necessary to pay them. So the League has developed a remarkable personelle of executive secretaries, organizers and lecturers.

There may be, however, a danger in this development. Volunteer work that is efficient and loyal, still must be the strength of the League. And the attitude of "Let George do it," in this case, "Let the office do it," is easy to acquire.

If every individual member of the League would profit by the example given above, and pledge three hours of every week to League work, exclusive of meetings, the results might be amazing. There are women in this state who give many times three hours a week to the work, but three hours, every week of the year, faithfully "made up" if circumstances prevented the work being done in any one certain week, become of cumulative value.

One hour every week might be devoted to the actual work of building up the organization. There is the question of money, of new members, of arranging programs, of publicity, of committee work.

One hour every week might be devoted to furthering the ideals of the League. There are

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THE WOMAN VOTER TALKS ABOUT ITSELF

The Woman Voter is big business in the Indianapolis League of Women Voters. As in all business, two indispensable factors enter into the carrying out of a program; these are organization and finance.

Organization means a staff which presents news of educational and intellectual value which will present a working program for members. Organization, where the Voter is concerned, means a representation of all Branch Leagues in the printed matter of the magazine. This does not mean under Branch News alone. The Voter must be organized to tell what members think.

Finance means careful budgeting. The kind of paper, the cost of supplies, etc., enter into the budget allowed by the State League for its publications. Finance means **business management.**

The Indiana League magazine should be an *intellectual and financial asset.*

The League of Women Voters appreciates its advertisers. Members are interested in goods advertised. It is good business for firms to advertise Members on every hand will be helpful to the Woman Voter if they will tell local merchants that their advertising should appear in the Voter. During the coming year **fifty percent will be paid** to Branches for advertising which they send in. There should be a good response to this generous offer.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

There is so much worth while to read in newspapers and books, that it behooves the editor of the Voter to publish worth while material—information which League members need for their study. Would a question and answer column be of value? Do you have questions which are not covered in Voter material?

STATE MAGAZINES PUBLISHED BY THE LEAGUE

An interesting morning was spent by the editor reviewing publications of State and Branch Leagues in view of future development of the Woman Voter. Jacob's coat of many colors could not be more varied.

Colors actually are represented, as we know by our own magazine—yellow, blue, lavendar, green and white appeared. Is there color value to League publications? Does color help you to spy the Voter in the midst of other mail? Is it true that yellow gives less eye strain than white for a background for printing?

Methods of mailing are interesting. Economy and psychology enter in. Folding, so that the important fact, or the particular **advertisement** first greets the eye, deserves consideration. The first general appearance of the magazine is interesting. Does one like to see a front page beautifully set up, with contents noted; or does one like, at once, to be confronted with the leading feature article of the magazine?

Bulletins have intriging names; Forward, Bulletin of the Wisconsin League; The Dayton Woman Citizen; The Pilgrim (Our Lamp is the Light of Truth), published by the Georgia League; the Woman Voters Bulletin in many states; and most often with the name of the State or city preceding The Woman Voter.

Staffs vary, but in almost every case there is a staff of considerable size. Quite uniformally, the names of State officers and staff members appear.

It appears to the editor that responsibility for publication of news, wherever there is a magazine of size, is spread over a large number of persons. This we particularly need in the Indiana League.

PUBLICITY, A LEAGUE OPPORTUNITY

The press secretary of the National League, Mrs. Anne Williams Wheaton, is asking the State and Branch Leagues two **important questions:** "Do you wish ALL newspapers in your state to receive releases direct from the National League press department, or only a selected list made up from the larger daily newspapers? If you advise a selected list for your state, will you please send in recommendations?"

The distribution of such stories to smaller newspapers could be left to the discretion of state and local press chairmen.

Leagues in Indiana should get the advice of the newspaper representatives who cover the local activity in order to intelligently answer these questions.

This takes us to a discussion of local League publicity. There is never an end to possibility for press publicity. Do we do our best to make the most of opportunities offered?

IS YOUR PRESS CHAIRMAN BUSINESSLIKE?

Does the press chairman know the editors of city and county newspapers, and does she ask the editor about it, if every bit of club activity is not covered in these papers?

Is your publicity sent in typed and double spaced?

Are notices sent, in advance, to all state newspapers having club columns?

Does your press chairman offer to edit a club column if your paper has none at present?

Does your press chairman ask for a press conference at every convention?

Does your press chairman recognize a *fourfold* duty, to have local, state and national club news appear in local papers; to have local news appear in state news; to stimulate interest in better journalism among League members; to secure as many publicity mediums as possible?

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Editorial

Women voters represented in the National League of Women Voters have expressed to Secretary of State Frank B. Kellogg, in a letter sent him by Miss Belle Sherwin, League president, hope that success will attend American efforts in the preparations for an international disarmament conference.

Expressing the belief that there is widespread sentiment in support of further reductions in armaments, Miss Sherwin wrote Secretary Kellogg the following letter:

"For three years the National League of Women Voters has been profoundly interested in the problems of international cooperation to prevent war, and therefore in each step taken toward the real reduction of armaments by international agreement.

"The League believes that there is deep and widespread sentiment throughout the country in support of the appointment of a commission from the United States to prepare the agenda for an international disarmament conference.

"In behalf of the League the National Board desires to convey to you, Mr. Secretary, and to Mr. Gibson, the head of the Commission, its desire to seek and to give popular support to the agenda for the Conference which the Commission will prepare.

"In addition, I desire to express for the League the profound hope that success will attend this preliminary effort."

The continuing committee on the Cause and Cure of War will soon publish the findings of a two day conference. Some of the world's best known experts on international affairs sat with the committee.

Our headquarters at the Spink Arms need two presents—a new American flag, and an Indiana flag.

All publications of the National League of Women Voters are available to members for three dollars a year. Write for these to the National League, making checks payable to same.

WHY A NEW MEMBER?

Why a new member? The new members of the League want the same thing that the average member wishes to gain through League contact. What is this thing?

The average member wishes to be brought into closer contacts with League Policies and to share the responsibility of developing the League program. The average member will help to extend the ever increasing groups interested in education for citizenship.

Functioning local and state boards will help to take care of a growing membership. Regular meetings, with speakers keeping ever to the point, will attract new members.

Program and study first begins with the board. Letters and information go out from these sources to properly explain the program to members and prospective members.

New members will bring the Indiana League closer to the point of permanent office staffs in larger cities. Routine of program will best function from established headquarters.

New members bring new life into the League, new enthusiasm, new points of view. New members are eagerly welcomed in Indiana Leagues. Therefore, every member bring A NEW MEMBER the next time the League meets.

Most interesting is a report of the ways and means through which one hundred and fifty new voters came to the St. Louis Convention. Candy sales, voting contests, suppers all entered in. These members have the pep to get where they want to go. Their earnestness and sense of responsibility is a lesson for all.

We are proud of our two interesting college Leagues in Indiana. Their members are well qualified to help in the presenting of programs next year.

Citizenship schools will enter largely into the Indiana League programs for 1926-7. The Leagues of North Carolina plans a school in Ashville July 2.

Indiana League citizenship schools could be made most interesting as summer recreation and education centers. Chautauqua programs interest us during warm weather. The unified program of a citizenship school might easily be combined with features of pleasant entertainment. No study or course of lectures has more romantic appeal, than has the study of politics.

Resolutions Passed in 13th District Convention

Resolved, That this convention go on record as favoring the Shepard-Towner bill and its re-enactment.

Resolved, That our district League sponsor a new voter's section in the various Leagues of the district and that high school students be admitted to membership as well as college students.

Resolved, That our various Leagues study the question of Federal Aid early in the fall and before the legislative bodies meet. (To be sent to state headquarters)

Resolved, That our district Leagues study all social hygiene measures included in the state program with special attention to the sterilization bill which will come up in our next legislature.

Resolved, That the League members of the district stand squarely behind the district chairman and do all in their power to further the organization of new Leagues.

The resolutions committee wishes to thank the Michigan City League for the lovely entertainment of the 13th District Convention of the League of Women Voters and asks that the visiting delegates show their appreciation by a rising vote.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. C. A. CARLISLE, South Bend
MRS. WM. BOSS, Elkhart
MRS. E. L. HUMMER, South Bend

Tenth Congress; International Woman Suffrage Alliance

Thirty prominent woman from various parts of the country will represent the United States at the Tenth Congress of the International Women Suffrage Alliance in Paris May 30 to June 6, it was announced May 5 by the American affiliated association, the National League of Women Voters. The official delegation will include twelve members, while alternates and visitors will comprise the remainder of the American representation.

Miss Belle Sherwin, president of the National League, who heads the delegation, sailed for France May 13, and will go direct to Paris for several preliminary committee meetings.

Marked interest is being shown in this international gathering, which brings together women from two-thirds of the nations of the world. The meeting will be the tenth in the history of the Alliance, since its organization by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt 24 years ago. The seven-day program covers a wide field of subjects, of interest to the enfranchised and unenfranchised women, but particularly stresses international relations and woman suffrage and its results.

The St. Louis Convention passed the following resolution on Law Enforcement: "Be it resolved that the League call upon the President of the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury and all State and local officials to use to the fullest extent the power conferred upon them for the effective establishment of prohibition."

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unteers consistently should contribute their best efforts to win success.

No field offers a opportunity to serve a more worthy cause, with a better planned outline of work, under more efficient executives than does the National League of Women Voters.

The paid staff of the League in every state and region and in the National is rendering valuable service and cannot be spared. However, they realize their dependence on that larger staff made up of volunteers from every unit of the L. W. V.

So well thought out is the program of work that it merits trained workers everywhere. Workers who are willing can become self-educated if they will but follow the leads sent out from state and national headquarters. Our state has already enlisted many able women who are glad to give their very best talents and their time to putting the program in action, but it will need many more if the work is to be accomplished. What the local League in your community can do depends partly whether you decide to throw your efforts into assisting with their projects. It may be money, it may be routine duties, it may be constructive thought, which you can most easily contribute. All are needed.

"Nothing that you do amounts to much except what you contribute outside of your business," is the recent statement of a successful business man. The League's program of work offers a task for every woman's extra hours. It offers a rare opportunity to serve home and to serve country in educating for better citizenship. In planning next year's interests include much time for the League. F. D. S.

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Methods of Going About League Work The Beginning of a Program for 1926-27

The first object of the League is to increase the number of responsible voting citizens. To do this the following four lines of study are agreed upon.

I. Efficiency in Government (Standards, Legislation, Law Enforcement).
Nominations and elections.
Problems of administration: public finance and public employment.
Law Making.

II. Public Welfare in Government. (Standards, Legislation and Law Enforcement).

III. Legal Status of Women.

Iv. International Cooperation to Prevent War. (Education and Legislation).

The League believes in a program which prepares for action, and which emphasizes practical methods of realizing ideals.

HOW THE PROGRAM IS FORMED

The program is framed tentatively by national departments and standing committees in consultation with corresponding departments and committees in States. Its vitality in Indiana depends upon the initiative and co-operation of local Leagues.

METHODS OF WORK

In the local, state and national League the work is carried on under the same general plan:

Informing and Discussing:
Through public meetings and special subjects.
Through candidates' meetings.
Through ballot-marking classes.
Through study groups and round tables.
Through citizenship schools.
Through institutes of government and politics.

Observing
Through fact finding groups.
Through visiting legislative bodies, administrative boards, courts of law, and public institutions.
Through comparing observed facts with standards, and with procedure in other places.

Conferring
With public officials on special problems.
With experts on technical questions.
With individual citizens or with special agencies, on community undertakings.

Training
Speakers to present facts.
Leaders of group discussions.

Publishing
Digests of laws, particularly of election laws.
Pamphlets on the points of the program.
Bulletins reporting information and progress.

Encouraging Participation
By qualified voters in every step of the processes by which public officials are nominated and elected, including caucuses, primaries, conventions, elections.

New assignments in the National League are: Mrs. Walston Chubb of St. Louis, chairman of the woman in industry committee; Miss Mollie Ray Caroll of Goucher College, director of the League's committees on education, child welfare, living costs and women in industry; Miss Elizabeth J. Hauser of Girard, Ohio, is the new head of the efficiency in government department; Miss Ruth Morgan is to continue in the department of international cooperation to prevent war.

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the fine preventive projects upon which the national and state organizations have agreed, which will in time help to prevent the flood of crime, war, disease and ignorance which at present overwhelm the institutions of government. There is the creative attack upon the indifference and misinformation of many citizens.

One hour a week might be devoted to thoughtful study. There are urgent problems of government that demand immediate solution. There are proposed solutions and remedies which should be carefully and intelligently considered.

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News of the Branch Leagues

Bloomington. Professor W. E. Trainor of the law faculty was speaker at the April 29th meeting, his subject being, "Legal rights of women in Indiana." An interesting question was, "Shall husband and wife own property in common?" Eight states have community property laws. Miss Jessie Hogate was chairman of the program committee.

On Friday, May 14th, the League met for lunch in the University Cafeteria. Mrs. Streightoff spoke on tne St. Louis Convention. Mrs. Joseph A. Neill presided.

Brookville. A community meeting was held by the League at the People's Trust Company, May 14. Mrs. Herman Kipple presided.

Delphi. The League met for dinner at the home of Mrs. James Watson May 4th. Mrs. Frank Shepard reported the State Convention. Mrs. James Whittlesey, Carroll County probation officer, told of the work carried through her office.

Evansville. At the regular meeting of the League on May 10th, Mr. Richard Waller, affirmative, and Mr. Pack Spencer, negative, debated on the "City Manager form of Government."

Mrs. R. L. Halvorsen and Mrs. William Ehrich reported on the St. Louis Convention. Plans for the coming District Convention at Princeton were reported.

Elkhart. On May 3rd, sixty members of the League of Women Voters attended a tea given under the auspices of the Little Theatre Department of the Women's League. On May 7th, the board of directors met to plan for the final meeting of the year.

Mrs. Frank W. Adams was chairman for the final League meeting, May 17th. Reports of standing committees were read as condensed from the secretary's book. Mrs. Oscar Kylin, chairman of the Child Welfare Committee is moving to Cleveland. Her resignation was accepted with regret. Mrs. F. S. Timmins will carry on the work of this committee.

Indianapolis. On May 1st the Chapter of the New Voters League which was being formed at Butler College met in the Rose Room of the Claypool Hotel for lunch. Miss Jane Osborn was chairman of organization. Misses Fay Smith, Naomi Fike, and Betty Fletcher presented the formal petition for the Chapter. Officers were elected: Miss Jane Ogborn, president; Miss Lucinda Smith, treas.; Miss Louise Fresbee, vice-president; Miss Jean Davis, secretary.

Miss Florence W. Howell, chairman of the membership committee of the Indianapolis League gave a beautifully appointed membership tea May 7th.

Officers for the year were elected on May 19th. President, Mrs. Frank D. Hatfield; first vice-president, Mrs. John W. Kern; second vice-president, Miss Amelia Henderson; secretary, Mrs. David Lurvey; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. T. Barnes. Directors: Mrs. Frederic Ayres, Mrs. Edna M. Christian, Miss Florence Howells, Mrs. Samuel Lewis Shank, Miss Sarah Lauter. There are five hold-over directors.

Jasper. The League held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Charles O. Scholer.

Jasper County League. On April 30th the League arranged a joint meeting with forty-four district committee women. Each member was invited to bring one lunch item, the League serving coffee. A round table discussion on duties of committee women followed.

Newburg. The regular meeting of the League was held May 3rd. Candidates in the Primary were discussed.

Michigan City. Delegates to the Thirteenth District Convention were entertained in Michigan City May 1st. South Bend, New Carlisle, Elkhart and Michigan City were well represented. Mrs. W. J. Feallock, district chairman, opened the convention. Mrs. J. K. Brennan gave a short talk, greeting the delegates, Mrs. Earl Hummer of South Bend responded.

Mrs. F. B. Fickensher gave the response for South Bend; Mrs. J. J. Littrell for Elkhart; Mrs. Rena Teeter for New Carlisle; Mrs. H. R. Misener for Michigan City.

In the first annual demonstration of Mothers and Daughters Week the Michigan City League had a beautiful yellow and white float and represented the League's support of the Shepherd-Towner Bill.

Peru. Mrs. Streightoff was speaker at a meeting in Peru on May 18th. A delightful dinner was served at the First Methodist Episcopal Church. The Peru League is conducting a study class in County Government. Officers were elected: Mrs. Leovard Kolb, president; Mrs. Joseph Shurk, vice-president; Mrs. Hester Wood, recording secretary; Mrs. F. W. Trout, corresponding secretary.

Princeton. Mrs. J. H. Hitch entertained the League in her home on South Main Street April 27th. Mr. Harvey Harmon discussed the religious view of the framers of the Constitution. Miss Katherine Young discussed American music. The following officers were elected: Mrs. A. R. Burton, president; Mrs. Flora Springer, secretary; Miss Katherine Young, treasurer; Mrs. D. A. Davidsons, first vice-president; Mrs. J. J. Hitch, second vice-president; Mrs. R. N. Parrett, third vice-president.

Portland. Mrs. H. R. Crebb entertained the League on May 13th. The following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Cleaver Black; program committee, Mrs. Crebb, Mrs. Homer Evans, and Mrs. Homer Gilliom.

Richmond. Representatives for the League worked to get out the vote at the Primary by sending out statements to local newspapers.

Shelbyville. Mrs. Mendal Wolf was hostess for a meeting on April 29th. Mrs. Streightoff was speaker. Officers were elected: Mrs. Bernard F. Douglas president; Mrs. Fred Inlow, vice-president; Miss Ann Flaitz, secretary; Mrs. Earl Wilkes, treasurer. The board of directors is composed of Mrs. O. W. Cotton, Mrs. Wilkes, Mrs. Margaret Hoop, Mrs. Inlow, Mrs. E. K. Montgomery, Miss Floy Isley, Mrs. Laura Kent, Mrs. Frank Clark, Mrs. Flaitz, and Mrs. Douglas.

South Bend. Music Week was especially sponsored by the League. Frank Silkenwood Grover of Elkhart gave a concert, Miss Effie Harmon, supervisor of music in the schools, co-operated in planning a fine program in the schools. The Camp Fire Girls Glee Club gave a musical phantasy, "Penny Buns and Roses." Local theatres and radio stations gave programs.

Vincennes. Mrs. Harry Sommes was hostess for the League meeting on May 11. Assistant hostesses were Mrs. W. P. McQuade, Mrs. Charles B. O'Donnell, Mrs. Edward Hood. Mrs. William Allan Cullop presided over the business session.

Valparaiso. May 17th the League met at the Kinsey Memorial. Miss Helen Kull spoke on the "Legal Status of Women." Mrs. Christopher Ruess and Mrs. Arthur B. Christy spoke on "Methods of War Prevention." Mrs. G. R. Douglas called for a report from members who have made dollars work.

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WHEN we stop to think that the United States is today the only Nation in the world which has not an officer of the Government devoting himself to education, it seems to me that the question of whether we should have a Secretary of Education in the Cabinet answers itself. With a country so needful of the extension of educational advantages, there are few more urgent necessities than that the Federal Government should work with the States along educational lines. Almost every question has two sides, but this, it seems to me, has only one.—Edward W. Bok, Author and Editor.

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FEATURE YOUR DISTRICT CONVENTION IN THE VOTER

Great interest centers around the District Convention of the Indiana Branch Leagues. All members turn their eyes with interest to the part of the state in action. This District Convention news should appear in the Woman Voter in the issue preceding the Convention.

The Voter staff will name the issue for the district having a convention if it can get the convention news ahead of time.

The interesting conventions can be featured in many ways in the Voter. Pictures of leading members, of speakers, of interesting beauty spots in your towns can be used. The issues can be made real souvenirs.

Extra copies of the Voter can be furnished to be broadcast in your town. Wide circulation advertises the League and the town.

Half of the profits from any advertising which League members get for the Voter will be shared by the State League with the Local League from which the member comes.

Miss Anne W. Wheaton, national press secretary, Mrs. Walter Greenough, state publicity chairman for June, and local chairmen are to be highly complimented for the many, many fine press notices during the month. The summer season which is generally low in club activity, sees the League forging ahead with lines and lines of constructive publicity.

FOR YOUR GARDEN

SOME BARGAINS NOW READY—

1. **Big Plants**—Chrsanthemums, Carnations, Salvias, Snapdragons, Petunias, Verbenas, Parlor Ivy, Lobelias, Double Stocks, Ice Pinks, Heliotropes, etc., regularly and 12 for $1.00; Special, any 15 for $1.00 or any 100 assorted for $5.00.

2. **Old Fashioned Favorites — Delphiniums,** Fox Gloves, C. Bells, Lilly of Valley, Double Holly Hocks, Hepaticas, and all the old-time garden Border Favorites, were any 12, now Special, any 15 for $1.00 or 100 for $5.00. Order any you want—we have them.

3. **Big Geraniums,** all colors, 12 for $1.50; Big Cannas, all colors, 12 for $1.50.

4. **Fancy Dahlias,** 12 for $1.50; Gold Medal Gladioli, 100 for $4.00.

5. **Splendid 3 year old H. T. Roses,** such as Columbia, Ophelia and 40 others, 12 for $6.00; 100 for $45.00.

6. **L. I. Vegetable Plants,** 100 for $1.50; 1000 for $10.00 assorted. Cabbage, Lettuce, Egg, Tomato, Celery, etc.

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OUR EDUCATION PROGRAM

By Miss Cornelia Adair, National Committee Chairman of Education,

National League of Women Voters

Since one of the cardinal principles of the National League of Women Voters is *study* before *action,* we very naturally find our program divided into two parts,—recommendations for study, and recommendations for legislation. For a like reason, it is natural to find the same topics under both headings. This is necessary because education is not static—it is a growth.

Any citizen would agree, if asked, that the education of the future generation is one of, if not the most, important functions of the nation. Yet, a glance at the amount spent for education would make it appear that it is a most minor one. The nation's average annual income is approximately sixty-five billion dollars. Education costs $1,799,383,894.00. Therefore out of every $5,000.00 of income, $138.50 is expended for the support of public education. A sum that represents 2.77 per cent of our income would entirely pay the cost of the schools.

Our yearly expenditure for all public education constitutes but 2.33 per cent of the value of agricultural and manufactured products. School costs, each year, are less than one-third the amount spent in building construction.

Why is it, then, that in so wealthy a nation as ours, many communities find it exceedingly difficult to secure adequate school support? The answer, apparently, lies in our antiquated systems of taxation. Economic conditions, the concentration of taxable wealth in certain centers, and the small units of taxation, seem to be the chief causes of trouble. Among the means suggested for drawing more effectively on the wealth of the United States for the support of education are the following:

1. Increase in the size of the tax unit.
2. Methods of taxation other than the property tax.
3. The apportionment of state school funds according to needs and efforts to maintain good educational standards.
4. Federal equalization funds if equalization between the states is to be achieved.

The last topic is also contained in our fourth topic for study, "The Results of Federal Aid in the States."

When we think of the vast number of adult illiterates, both native and foreign born, we realize the necessity of compulsory school attendance laws for the coming generation. The problem of the "All the Year School" is attracting increasing attention throughout the country. Many persons, too, feel that it is unwise to put a flat maximum age limit. So, we find in our Program, under "Study," the questions of adjusting the school year and the relation between age and attainment, while, under "Legislation" we find compulsory education for all children between six and sixteen, nine months yearly, with English the basic language. There is no conflict between these two items. We are simply planning to grow.

Perhaps one of the most essential requirements for the equalization of educational opportunity is a well qualified school board. What, then, should be the qualifications of school board members? And how may we secure such members for our school boards? First, he, or she, should be honest, intelligent, fair. In addition to these elements of a personal character, he should have business sense, a desire to improve the schools, and a willingness to give the necessary time and study to the problem. The question of securing qualified members is, of necessity, a local affair, but too much stress cannot be laid upon its importance, as they are the policy making body of the schools.

The most important recommendations for Federal legislation is the Federal Department of Education, with a secretary in the President's Cabinet. The Curtis-Reed Education Bill, now pending before Congress, provides for the establishment of such a Department. The work of this Department will be largely the collecting and disseminating of educational information. Millions of dollars, each year, are saved to the country through the research work of the Departments of Commerce and Agriculture. Might not the same result be achieved for Education? The Bill also provides for the consolidation of educational activities of the government, now scattered in some thirty-nine different bureaus and depart-

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SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR 1926-27

SEPTEMBER

In charge of Child Welfare Committee
Membership tea—New Voters as special guests
What is the League of Women Voters
Reading of the national child welfare program
Discussion: Review of laws enacted as a result of League activity
School attendance law
Sheppard-Towner Act
Probation law
Equal guardianship of children
Mothers' pensions—strengthening the Board of Children's Guardians Act
Child Labor Amendment
Special Activity: Citizenship School conducted by the State League for the local Leagues that have met quota by September 15th
County educational survey.

OCTOBER

In charge of Efficiency in Government Committee
Reading of the national program on efficiency in government
Discussion:
Proposed amendments to the Indiana Constitution
Registration and election laws
The principle of Federal Aid, including the Maternity Act and the Infancy Bill
Special Activities:
Candidates meetings
Ballot marking or voting machine classes
Party for precinct committee women

NOVEMBER

Educational Committee in charge
Reading of national program on education
Discussion:
National Education Bill—main arguments for and against
Reports of county education survey made by local league
State General Assembly
Organization and duties of each house
Process of law making
Power of the speaker of the House
Special Activities:
Get out the vote
Joint conference with other leagues in district

DECEMBER

In charge of Committee on International Cooperation to Prevent War
Reading of national program on international cooperation to prevent war
Discussion:
The Disarmament Conference
The National Defense Act
Military education in schools and colleges
Education for peace in schools and colleges
(Have two speakers, one to talk on the National Defense Act and on military training in schools, and the other to discuss the need of education on the prevention of war.)

JANUARY

In charge of Committee on Living Costs
Reading of national program on living costs
Social Meeting
Uncle Sam Serves Tea (playlet)
Relation of the Government to the cost of living
What the consumer should know about the cost of living
Discussion:
Super-power
Report on legislatures
Congress
Indiana General Assembly
Special Activity:
Clipping committee on Indiana General Assembly

FEBRUARY

In charge of Local Legislation Committee
Report on legislation, state and federal
Progress of important bills, state and federal
Leading figures in legislation
Heads of important committees
Reading of national program on social hygiene
Discussion:
Society and the unfit

MARCH

In charge of Committee on Legal Status of Women
Review of the 1927 session of the General Assembly
Reading of the national program on the legal status of women
Study of the model marriage and divorce bill
Special Activities:
Action on proposed program of state and national leagues
Appointment of delegates to state convention

APRIL

Reading of the national program on law enforcement
Discussion:
The prevention of delinquency
Visiting teachers
Recreational directors
Probation officers
Policewomen
School attendance officers
Report on the state convention

MAY

In charge of the Executive Committee
Reports of year's work of committees and of study groups
Report of the Washington meeting of the Council of the League
Discussion:
Civil service

PROGRAM HELPS FOR SEPT.

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Concerning the Probation Law, Mrs. Florence Boyd, State Probation Officer, Plymouth, Indiana.

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Local Data from School Attendance Officer, and from chairman of Board of Children's Guardians.

The Child Labor Amendment. Headquarters will send detailed information prepared by the National League of Women Voters.

Packet Library, Indiana University Extension Division. (Material sent for cost of postage. Loaned for two weeks.)

Dr. Edna Hatfield Edmondson, Bloomington, Ind., State Chairman of Child Welfare, Indiana League of Women Voters.

The Little Libraries

All education chairmen should have the Little Libraries published by the Educational Committee of the National League of Women Voters: Number one, For Members of Rural School Boards; Number Two, For Parents and Tax Payers; Number Three, On Teacher Training.

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Editorial

A Plan For the Work of the Year—A Goal For Each Local Organization

1. A budget, no matter how small.
2. A monthly payment, no matter how small, on quota to state.
3. Regular monthly meeting of the board of directors.

   A definite program to be carried on in open meetings. (Dates and committees in charge should be appointed at least two months in advance.)
5. At least one study group.

   The following subjects are available:

   Federal aid

   National education (special reference to pending bill.)

   Civil service

   Amending Constitution of the United States

   Pending amendments to Indiana Constitution

   Child labor

   Super-power.
6. Educational survey of county.

N. B.—Keep data on the above projects. This information will enable you to make a definite report at the state convention.

Citizenship School of the Mich. League

Indiana League members are invited to attend the Michigan League Citizenship School to be held at East Lansing, July, 1926. Among topics and speakers are: "The World Today," Mr. James G. McDonald, president of the Foreign Policy Association of New York; "Speakers Training Classes," Mrs. Ruth Huston-Whipple; "Constitutional Problems and Progress," Prof. James K. Pollock Jr.; "The Present Outlook in Europe," "Civil Service in the United States," Senator James Couzens. The term registration fee is $3.00.

Keep Copies

Keep every copy of the Woman Voter. It is not a newspaper to be read and discarded; it is a source book for League work and should be filed for future reference.

VOLUNTEER WORK

After having published last month two leading articles on the value of volunteer work to the League, there comes the reminder that some one has truthfully said, "There is no such thing as volunteer work, some one always pays." The League of Women Voters is rich with the value of volunteer work.

What is the cost of volunteer work which is done? Is the work of the member partly paid for in the increased knowledge and understanding which she gains of politics? Here the financial value is intangible.

Husbands, mothers and fathers, and members are themselves paying so that there may be the leisure to devote to League activities.

Take, for example, any League member that you know. Does not either the member or the family in some way pay for this thing which we call volunteer work.

Year by year the Indiana League is becoming richer in the quantity and quality of unselfish volunteer work. There is an aesthetic value here which is priceless. The "some one" who always pays for volunteer work deserves the undying gratitude of the League.

VOTE

Indiana visitors at the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia this summer will be deeply interested in the "Vote" display at the League house on High Street. Mrs. Boyd Nixon of Bryn Mawr, Pa., is in charge.

The exhibit effectively presents voting statistics. Dolls in greater and smaller size according to voting percentages show Czecho Slovakia with ninety-one percent of qualified voters voting. Other nations are represented: Germany and Switzerland second with eighty-five per cent voting; France with eighty-one per cent; Great Britan eighty; the United States stand only fifty-one per cent.

Another exhibit shows effectively what "One Hundred Citizens Do on Election Day." Fifty-one take an interest in the election, the other forty-nine are depicted as slackers who prefer golf, picnics, movies and other diversions to exercise their rightful voice in the conduct of government.

A third exhibit depicts the "Vanishing American Voter" and shows the shrinkage from eighty-one per cent in 1876, the centeninial year, to little more than fifty per cent today.

Roger H. Wells, of the Department of Economics and Political Science at Bryn Mawr College assisted in checking the accuracy of details of the exhibit.

The Tenth Congress of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance

Statement of Miss Belle Sherwin, head of the United States delegation to the International Woman Suffrage Alliance Congress in Paris, 1926. This statement was issued to the press in New York City on her arrival, Monday, June 21st.

Many things were accomplished at the Tenth Congress of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance at Paris by the women of forty-two nations gathered to discuss and to act upon matters in which women are primarily interested.

By far the most important interest of the Congress was the subject of World Peace. This was evidenced in the debate and by the applause which greeted every reference to world peace at the great mass meetings. The high point in accomplishments of the Congress was the formation of a new committee "to examine in what way women can use their political powers toward promoting the cause of world peace."

The delegates from the United States went to Paris with the laurels of the World Court victory still fresh, and were particularly interested in hearing M. Briand's comment on the part women of the United States have taken in promoting international cooperation. Speaking informally to a party of delegates in his office, he said that in consequence of what he observed women had done in the United States, he believes that they could do for the cause of world peace whatever they undertook to do!

The United States was honored in the appointment of Ruth Morgan of New York City to the chairmanship of the new peace committee, after her election to membership in the international board.

The United States delegates were particularly pleased by the action of the Congress regarding women in industry, when the policy maintained in this country by the League of Women Voters and by the American Federation of Labor was adopted in Paris. It was a victory for those who steer by facts and a blow to theorists when the Congress voted that no special regulations for women's work should be imposed contrary to the wishes of the women concerned. The resolution which followed the most spirited debate of the session provides for special legislation for women in industrial occupations when the women want it and the facts demonstrate the need for it. The United States delegation was gratified to find this provision urged by women workers in other delegations as well as in their own.

The resolutions of the Equal Morals Committee, which provided that there should be no discriminations against women in law and no compulsory measures in public health regulations, were unanimously carried.

The resolution of the Committee on the nationality of married women also reflected credit upon the women of the United States. "The Committee rejoices in the progress made toward legislation embodying the principle that women be given the same right as men to retain or change their nationality," noting with special satisfaction the establishment of independent citizenship of married women in the United States by the Act of 1922. This act was sponsored by the League of Women Voters under the leadership of Mrs. Maud Wood Park, the national president at that time. The resolutions of the Committee on the Problem of the Unmarried Mother were similar to the subjects for study in the program of the National League of Women Voters, while the recommendations of the Committee on Family Allowances are for us in the United States only an academic question.

A conspicious and real achievement of the Congress was the gradual development of solidarity among the women present. This may have been due to the practicability with which the women regarded the questions before them.

THE PENNSYLVANIA PRIMARY

Although the report of the Pennsylvania primary shows a shocking condition, there are some features of the situation which may aleviate concern. Foremost is the fact that the nomination did not go to the highest bidder. So long as the extra expense in primary elections does not end in victory, that fact may be counted upon to eventually do away with this evil. With the exception of the Newberry election, we do not remember any primary in which the most extravagant expenditure brought victory. Legislation will not be necessary to check the evil as long as those who pay do not get what they want.

The Senate itself has established the precedent of refusing a seat to a man who has spent too much in his campaign.

Facts prove that expenditure is not a deterrant to any mans becoming a candidate. The candidates in Pennsylvania did not furnish the money spent.

These facts, in conjunction, are hopeful correctives of extravagant election expenditures.

There will be the tendency to charge all of these facts to the primary as a system of nominating. We are inclined to doubt whether the nominating system is the important consideration. The outstanding fact seems to be that there was a group of men willing to spend millions of dollars to secure the nomination of their candidate, or to defeat a candidate not acceptable to them.

A system which shows to what length groups will go to control government has done a great deal of good.

THE NATIONAL EDUCATION BILL

The National Education Bill now pending before Congress omits Federal Aid, around which has centered much of the opposition to such a measure. Members of the profession and laymen have been given every chance to consider the bill.

Congress established a Department of Education without representation in the President's Cabinet in 1867. The Department was reduced in 1869 to the status of a Bureau, and has continued as such until the present day. The National Education Association has repeatedly petitioned Congress for the reestablishment of a Department of Education with a Secretary in the President's Cabinet.

The present bill involves the following proposals:

1. The creation of a Department of Education with a Secretary in the President's Cabinet.

2. The transfer to the Department of Education of the Bureau of Education and of the Federal Board for Vocational Education with the provision that the Federal Board for Vocational Education shall operate as a division of the Department of Education, and that the Secretary of Education shall be a member of this Board and ex officio chairman of it; that the authority, powers, duties, conferred and imposed by law, upon the Secretary of the Interior with relation to the Columbia Institution for the Deaf.

3. In order to coordinate the educational activities carried on by the several executive departments, and in order to devise ways and means of improving the work of the Federal Government, there shall be created a Federal Conference on Education which shall consist of one representative and one alternate appointed by the head of each department.

4. The Department of Education shall collect such statistics and facts as will show the condition and progress of education in the several States and in foreign countries; and in order to aid the people of the several States in establishing and maintaining more efficient schools and school systems, research shall be undertaken in all fields which, in the judgment of the Secretary of Education, may require attention and study.

5. The Department shall make available to the educational officials in the several States and to other persons interested in education the results of researches and investigations conducted by it.

The sum of $1,500,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, shall be appropriated annually for the purpose of paying salaries, for conducting studies and investigations, and for such other purposes as may be necessary to enable the Department of Education to carry out the provisions of the act.

This "Vote" poster is one of the many devices used by the National League of Women Voters to further its campaign for a bigger and hoped-for majority vote in all the primary and general elections this year. Hundreds of local Leagues throughout the country are flooding their communities with the gaily-colored posters.

of backgrounds and conditions of infinite variety in India, Egypt, Australia, Europe and America, opinions in the main were formed and defended with constant reference to facts and to actual experience. Theorists were in the minority.

STUDY GROUPS FOR LEADERS OF GROUPS

The ever increasing need for additional study of and information about the League program brings an interesting suggestion from Miss Florence Harrison, regional executive secretary.

Many members would lead study groups from their own front porches this summer, if they knew just where and how to begin. Study groups for leaders of study groups in endless chain are needed.

Mrs. Louis Haerle, in Indianapolis, is following Miss Harrison's plan. As chairman of public welfare Mrs. Hearle has a committee of six members, each studying one part of the League program. The committee meets, the members read the papers which they have prepared on their particular subject. Each committee chairman, under Mrs. Hearle's direction is preparing to take charge of study groups this summer.

News of the Branch Leagues

Bloomington. The League met at the home of Mrs. Joseph Neill. Plans were made for the program for the coming year.

Elkhart. Mrs. Wilbur Templin was elected president at the annual meeting held at the Women's League Building. Other officers are: recording secretary, Mrs. Allen Loomis; corresponding secretary, Miss Carries Beckner; treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Patterson. Mrs. Walter A. Huffman was chairman of the nominating committee. Mrs. A. H. Beardsley, retiring president, who had served since the organization of the Woman's Franchise League, was elected president emeritus.

Evansville. Mrs. L. R. Halversen was elected president of the First District League of Women Voters. On Monday preceding the District Convention, the executive board of the Evansville League entertained at the home of Mrs. Lucian Hayden. Miss Florence Harrison, regional executive secretary, and Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff, state president, were guests. The Evansville League met at Hadi Temple Mosque in the evening.

Falmouth. The League met with Miss Nannie McCrory near Falmouth, May 21.

Brookville. The League met at the Community Room, July 4. Meeting will be held on the first Friday of each month.

Indianapolis. Summer membership teas bi-monthly are being conducted by Miss Florence Howells. Study group leaders are meeting under the direction of Mrs. Louis Hearle. Miss Amelia Henderson is acting as summer distributor for state League literature.

Lafayette. The League held a picnic June 16, at Lincoln Lodge on north river road. Mrs. Edna M. Christian, of Indianapolis spoke.

Michigan City. Dean Agnes Wells was the speaker here on May 26 when the League met in the Scenic room of the Spaulding Hotel. Mrs. Dennis Donahue was chairman of hostesses.

Newburg. Citizens of Newburg were invited to meet Miss Harrison and Mrs. Streightoff during their visit on May 31. The meeting was held at the Presbyterian church.

Peru. The city council took immediate action on a resolution presented by the Peru League. Sprinkling hours were extended. The League has also requested that a progressive member be appointed on the school board, to fill a coming vacancy.

Portland. Mrs. C. S. Black of West Main Street was hostess for the League meeting on June 21.

Princeton. Organization of the First District was completed at a district meeting held at the Broadway Christian Church June 1. In addition to Mrs. Halvorsen, president, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Christine Cunningham, secretary; Miss Lena Franks of Newburg, treasurer. In addition to talks by Miss Harrison and Mrs. Streightoff, musical numbers were given by Mrs. R. S. Munford and Mrs. Paul Maier, of Griffin, Mrs. Sam Redman, Mrs. Irene Collidge, and Miss Katherine Youngman.

Rennselaer. The League entertained a joint County and District convention June 15. Speakers were Mrs. Mary Gallahan Kolb of Peru and Miss Harrison. Reports were made by Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross, Rennselaer, chairman of the Jasper County League; Mrs. LeGrande Myers, Cedar Lake, chairman of the Lake County League; Mrs. Thomas Arthur Stuart, Lafayette, chairman of the Tippecanoe County League; and Mrs. C. W. Borcher, chairman of the Valparaiso League.

Terre Haute. The annual League picnic was held in Collet Park, June 12. A board meeting preceded the supper. Officers who were elected on May 26 at the Chamber of Commerce were installed: Mrs. Anna Sherwood, president; Mrs. J. F. Hocker, first vice-president; Mrs. Clara Ramage, second vice-president; Mrs. C. E. Hanel, recording secretary; Mrs. Carl Evinger, treasurer. New board members were chosen: Mrs. Morris Kleeman, Mrs. H. F. Nosler, Miss Mayme Grover, Mrs. Ransom Phillips. Hold over board members are Mrs. Goodman and Mrs. Edward Lammers.

Valparaiso. The League met May 29 at the Kinsey Memorial Club House.

Vincennes. Mrs. William Allen Cullop was hostess for the League meeting on June 8. A card party was held at the home of Mrs. J. B. LaPlante on June 17. The party was given to help finance the education work of the League.

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ments, by consolidating wherever possible in the Department of Education. It also provides for a Committee consisting of one representative from each of the Federal Departments to co-ordinate such educational work as remains in their respective Departments.

Since we believe that education is the most important work of the government, we also believe that is should be given a position of primary importance. It is only by raising education to its proper place that we can hope to give to every American child its rightful heritage of an equal educational opportunity.

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The Michigan Citizenship School this summer devotes a part of its time each day to Speakers Training Classes. The name might well be changed to Leader's Training Classes, and the same method worked out.

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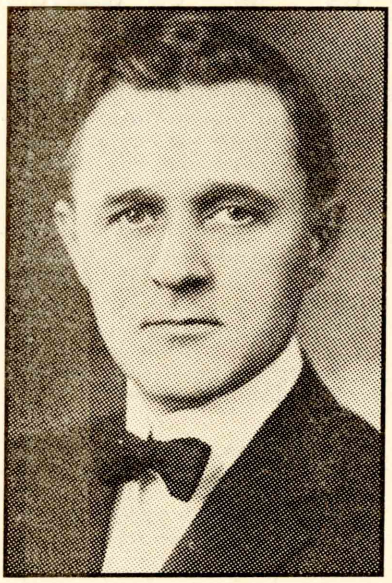

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CITIZENSHIP SCHOOLS

As reinvigorated League members return from their summer vacations "rarin' to go" one of the first things to demand their energies is the school for citizenship. By the plan, conceived early last spring and formally adopted by the State Board of Directors at its May meeting a one-day citizenship school is offered *free* to each local League which, by September 15, has actually paid one-half of its state quota and knows definitely how it will raise the third quarter of this obligation.

The complete program, which is now being rounded into shape, will be sent upon request. The State Board is convinced that one of these schools will be of immense value to a local league in several respects:

1. It will begin the fall campaign with an interesting event to which members can enthusiastically invite their friends.
2. It will afford a good means of obtaining considerable publicity for the League and for its work.
3. It will develop ideas which may prove useful throughout the whole year's work.

How many leagues will finally qualify for the free school is as yet not known. It is not too late for many groups to complete the requirements. One league has supplemented the dues from a rather small membership with the profits of a successful rummage sale. Another league has had a card party, receiving free use of a large hall because of its civic contribution in presenting to the city speakers of eminence. The president of one league has been selling citizenship bonds when the market was favorable, and dispensing delicious fudge of her own manufacture in the dull periods. At the state convention in March the representative of one league marched to the platform with half her quota in silver dollars. A tiny league has already paid three-fourths of its obligation thru personal contributions of members.

While these institutes are free to qualified leagues, it is strongly recommended that a registration fee be charged, even if it is small. Experience has proved that the fee enhances the serious interests of the participants and frequently increases attendance by emphasizing the idea of value in connection with the school. This revenue may be used to strengthen the local treasury.

Frances Doan Streightoff.

SCRATCHING THE BALLOT

Why scratch the ballot? Because individual ability is more important at times than party unity. If party unity is desired—do not scratch. In practice it works out. Scratch a judicial ticket as you like. Scratch a legislative ticket if party policies seem to you of minor importance.

Be careful how you scratch the executive ticket.

The judicial ticket for this year includes two state supreme court judges, four state appellate court judges, all county judges, such as circuit, superior, probate, criminal and juvenile, in counties where they have such courts, and township justices of the peace. The party affiliation of a judge is not generally considered as important as individual ability. Scratching the judicial ticket does not injure the efficiency of the administration.

The legislative ticket includes two United States Senators, one Congressman, members of the state legislature, members of the county council, and members of the township advisory board. In any given election, the voter must decide for himself whether the legislative policy of the party or the ability of the individual candidate is the important thing.

The executive ticket includes secretary, treasurer and auditor of state, clerk of the supreme and appellate courts, superintendent of public instruction, county clerk, auditor, recorder, sheriff, coroner, surveyor, assessor, county commissioners, township trustee, and assessor. State officials corresponding to the president's cabinet should be of one party. They probably should be appointed as the cabinet is in the national government. County commissioners, theoretically, should do better team work if all were members of the same party. Many of the other county officials—coroner, surveyor, etc.,—do not mould public policy, and individual merit is more necessary than party. Women generally feel that individual merit is of more importance than party in the selection of the state superintendent and the township trustee. The township assessor, perhaps, should be of the same party as the county assessor, for the sake of harmony of administration.

Scratch, if you will, by all means. But bear in mind that the political party exists for the purpose of giving unity to your government, and do not let your scratch impair the unity of administration which is necessary to efficiency.

Alma Sickler.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC. REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, OF THE WOMAN VOTER, PUBLISHED MONTHLY, EXCEPT AUGUST, AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FOR APRIL 1, 1926.

State of Indiana, County of Marion, SS.:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Frances Doan Streightoff, President, Indiana League of Woman Voters, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that she is the publisher of the Woman Voter and that the following is, to the best of her knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in Section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse side of this form, to-wit:

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INDIANA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS,
Mrs. Frances Doan Streightoff President.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of April, 1926.
(SEAL) M. D. LARSH,
My commission expires Mar. 8, 1928. Notary Public.

FINANCE STATEMENT

The following statement is a brief summary of the financial status of the state league.

Local league quotas	$4447.50	
Amount to be raised by state finance committee in unorganized districts	3052.50	
State Budget		$7500.00
AMOUNTS PLEDGED		
On local league quotas	$3385.00	
Individual pledges in unorganized districts	540.00	
Total pledged		$3925.00
AMOUNTS TO BE PLEDGED		
On local league quotas	$1062.50	
Individual pledges in unorganized districts	2512.50	
Total		$3575.00
AMOUNT PAID		$1285.50

The state finance committee at present has the following members: Mrs. O. R. Webb, Evansville; Mrs. T. J. Louden, Bloomington; Mrs. Chas. Teetor, Hagerstown; Mrs. Frank Hatfield, Indianapolis; Mrs. Elizabeth Claypool Earl, Muncie; Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross, Rensselaer; Mrs. W. H. Parkinson, Lafayette; Mrs. L. L. Kolb, Peru; Mrs. Thos. Mullins, Ft. Wayne; Mrs. H. R. Misener, Michigan City; Mrs. J. E. Neff, South Bend.

Other members will be appointed this fall.

THE CANDIDATES

THUMBNAIL SKETCHES OF THE STATE TICKETS

Republican

Long-term Senator. James E. Watson, Rushville. Attorney, age 62. Has wife, three sons and one daughter. Graduated from DePauw University. Is a member of the Methodist church, Masonic lodge, Shrine, K. of P, Moose, Red Men, Elks, Izaak Walton League, Epworth League, (ex-president) and Phi Kappa Psi. Has been a member of Congress for a number of years. Had two sons in the world war, one captain of infantry, the other, private, marine corps. Has been active in Rotary Club and other civic affairs in Rushville. Stands on Republican Party platform.

Short-term Senator. Arthur R. Robinson, Indianapolis. Attorney, age 44. Has wife and three children. Graduated from Ohio Northern University (B. Com. Sci.), University of Chicago, (Ph. B.) and Indiana Law School (Li. B.) A member of the Methodist church, Columbia Club, Masonic orders, Elks, Modern Woodmen of America, Phi Delta Theta, Service Club, national, state and city Bar Association. Was state senator one term, judge Marion county superior court Room 4. Was delegate to Republican National Convention, 1924. Served in the world war, May 10, 1917, to Aug. 27, 1919. Was overseas almost one year. Stands for Republican state and national platforms.

Superintendent of Public Instruction. Charles F. Miller, Goshen. Teacher; has been city and county superintendent of schools. Age 50. Has wife and son. Graduated from DePauw University; postgraduate work at University of Chicago. Belongs to Methodist church, Kiwanis Club, Odd Fellows, Masons, Scottish Rite, National Educational Association, Indiana State Teachers Association, American History Association, County Superintendents Association, Goshen Chamber of Commerce (director), Indiana Tuberculosis Association (director), Elkhart County T. B. Association (vice-president). Is now county superintendent of schools. Never has held party office. Was president of Local Council of Safety during the war. Stands for progressive educational policy.

Clerk of Supreme and Appellate Courts. Charles L. Biederwolf, Ft. Wayne. Allen County Purchasing Agent. Has acted as secretary to a member of Congress and as Chamber of Commerce secretary. Age 49. Married. Attended Ohio State University and Indianapolis Law School, and business college. Belongs to Congregational church, Rotary Club, Y. M. C. A., Chamber of Commerce (ten years as secretary), National Aeronautic Association, Izaak Walton League (state secretary). Never held party office. Was first county purchasing agent in state. Has been very active in civic drives, social work, Y. M. C. A., etc. Was secretary of two liberty loan drives, publicity manager for one, and active in all war drives. Stands for Republican platform and efficiency, service and absolute courtesy.

Democratic

Long-term Senator. Albert Stump, Indianapolis. Attorney, formerly teacher, and farmer, age 38. Has wife and three children. Graduated from Tri-State College, (B. S.), Indiana University (B. A.) and Chicago University (Juris Doctor cum laude.) Belongs to Masonic Lodge (Albion, Ind., and Bloomington) American Legion, Lions Club, state and city Bar Assn., Indiana University Alumni, Indianapolis Traffic Club. Attends Presbyterian church. Has never held public or party office. Served in world war Aug. 27, 1917, to Jan. 27, 1919; discharged with rank of captain. Has been active in Community Fund, Y. M. C. A. and Parent Teacher work. Stands for a tariff favorable to agriculture and the reduction of living costs, no special privileges, the conception of public office as a

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Editorial

Florence Kirlin

From the tenth of April to the ninth of August the Indiana League has been without an executive secretary. The work usually done by this officer has been distributed among the members of the executive committee who have gladly contributed their services. For months, state and national officers were seeking the right person for the position, several promising persons having been interviewed during the St. Louis convention.

The executive committee was unanimous in the choice of Florence Kirlin, whose appointment as executive secretary was promptly made by the State Board. Miss Kirlin was not a candidate, she was sought. Miss Kirlin is an Indiana girl, hailing from Kendallville. From Indiana University she has received the bachelors degree in commerce and political science, and the master's degree in psychology. For the past four years she has been secretary in the office of Dr. Wm. F. Book, Head of the Department of Psychology. She has done much of the work of editing the Journal of Applied Psychology.

Miss Kirlin spent part of the summer working and observing in the office of the Illinois League. Indiana will surely profit from the spirit of investigation and study which she is bringing to her office. She is entering her work with enthusiasm, energy, and good sense.

VOTE NUMBER

This "Vote" number of the Woman Voter is devoted largely to matters pertaining to the election. The League as a non-partisan political organization, trying an experiment in adult education for participation in government, urges all of its members to use the information which it has been their good fortune to acquire.

"Count that day lost whose low descending sun,
Sees for our League no added members won."
—*New York League.*

WOMEN ON ELECTION BOARDS

The League's stand on the obligation of women to serve on election boards is outstanding. Civic obligations such as these train women in civic duties and improve the quality of election boards. Yoeman service in getting out the vote may be done here because voting is largely dependent upon public confidence in the election machinery.

Indiana members of the League regret the untimely death of Mrs. Walter DuBois Brookings of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Brookings was formerly chairman of the education committee of the National League of Women Voters, serving faithfully for two years. She was a graduate of Wellesley College.

Human beings are motivated by their passions, and only in so far as we can learn to discipline them by a real regard for truth can we hope to make democracy function.

Study Group Topics

Classified material on seven topics for intensive study is now available in the state office. The material consists of the National League literature published on these subjects and other publications that can be readily secured from public libraries or from the state library. Miss Amelia Henderson and Miss Edna Levey, of the Indianapolis League, have spent many hours in assembling and classifying the data and it should be used by all groups that are studying one of the subjects listed below. Any inquiries concerning the literature will be answered promptly.

Federal aid
National education (special reference to pending bill).
Civic service
Amending Constitution of the United States
Pending Amendments to Indiana Constitution
Child Labor
Super-power

Every woman in the State should go to the polls and take one voter with her.

The Pilgrim, the Georgia League magazine offered a prayer, "Oh Lord, make the indifferent different."

A husband of a League member, wishing to help and being unable to give time himself paid the dues for two women members. Other husbands might be obtained who would do likewise.

COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SURVEY SUGGESTIONS

As indicated in the suggested programs for local league meetings during the present year, the state league is suggesting that each local league undertake a county educational survey. In the September board meeting of the local leagues the education committee chairmen should present some of the facts which show the present inequality in the educational opportunities provided for children in different sections of Indiana. The survey itself is to consist of information secured on the following points:

A. Township information
  I. Township trustee
    a. Education
    b. Salary
    c. Duties
    d. Amount of public money handled in one year.
  II. No. of children of school age in the township
  III. No. of public schools in the township
    a. One-teacher rural schools
    b. Consolidated rural schools
    c. City elementary schools
    d. City secondary schools
  IV. Assessed value of township
  V. No. of tax dollars behind each child of school age in the township
  VI. School costs and expenditures
B. County information
  I. County superintendent of schools
    a. Education
    b. Duties
    c. Salary, including traveling expenses and clerical assistance
    d. Educational experience
  II. No. of tax dollars behind each child of school age in the county
  III. No. of public schools in the county
    a. One-teacher rural schools
    b. Consolidated rural schools
    c. City elementary schools
    d. City secondary schools
  IV. Per pupil costs
C. Information on each type of school
  I. One-teacher rural schools
    a. Length of school term
    b. Program arrangement
      1. No. of pupil clock hours of instruction delivered per day per teacher.
    c. Enrollment
    d. Attendance
    e. No. of grades
    f. No. of students in each grade
    g. Teacher
      1. Training and education
      2. Experience
      3. Salary
      4. Age
      5. Residence of teacher
  II. Consolidated rural schools
    a. Length of school year
      1. Semester arrangement
    b. Enrollment
    c. Attendance
    d. No. of grades, including high school
    e. No. of grades taught by each teacher
    f. No. of teachers employed
    g. No. of students in each grade
    h. Average No. of students to each teacher
    i. Pupil clock hours of instruction per teacher
    j. Teacher
      1. Training and education
      2. Experience
      3. Salary
      4. Age
      5. Residence
  III. City elementary schools
    a. Length of school year
      1. Semester arrangement
    b. Enrollment
    c. Attendance
    d. No. of grades to a teacher
    e. No. of students in each grade
    f. No. of teachers employed
    g. Average number of students to each teacher
    h. Pupil clock hours of instruction per teacher
    i. Teachers
      1. Training and education
      2. Experience
      3. Salary
      4. Age
    j. Per pupil costs
  IV. City secondary schools
    a. Length of school year
      1. Semester arrangement
    b. Enrollment
    c. Attendance
    d. No. of hours teaching per day required of each teacher
    e. Average range of subjects taught by each teacher.
    f. Average number of students in a class
    g. Average number of students to each teacher (total of all classes each teacher conducts)
    h. No. of teachers employed
    i. Teachers
      1. Training and education
      2. Experience
      3. Salary
      4. Age

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public trust, and strong local self-government.

Short-term Senator. Evans Woollen, Indianapolis. Banker, formerly lawyer. Now president, Fletcher Savings and Trust Co. Entered the company as its attorney. Also did newspaper work at one time. Age 61. Has wife and son. Graduated from Yale (A. B. and A. M.) Belongs to Presbyterian church, Bankers' Association, University Club (organizer), Indiana Democratic Club (charter member), Chamber of Commerce, Sons of Revolution, and various other social and literary clubs. Is chairman of the economic policies commission in the American Bankers Association. Has been active in the Board of Children's Guardians and the John Herron Art Association, and is now president of both. Was secretary of Indiana delegation to Democratic National Convention. Was active in State Council of Defense, during the war, and was Fuel Administrator for Indiana. Is running on same platform as Mr. Stump.

Superintendent of Public Instruction. John A. Linebarger, Rockville. Teacher and superintendent, age 50. Married. Graduated from DePauw University; post-graduate work at University of Chicago. Belongs to Methodist church, Masonic lodge, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Beta Kappa, National Educational Association, State Teacher's Assn., Schoolmen's Club, Rockville Chatauqua Assn., (president), Town and City Superintendents Assn., Chamber of Commerce. Never has held public or party office. Has been superintendent of Rockville school for twenty years. Was director of Four-minute Men for county, during the war, and member of the state militia. Has been active in chamber of commerce and church work. Teachers men's Bible class. Pledges himself to the state's best educational interests.

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Clerk of Supreme and Appellate Courts. Zachariah T. Dungan, Huntington. Attorney. Has been city attorney and claim agent of Wabash. Has wife and one son. Age 64. Graduated at Danville Normal College. Belongs to Christian Church, Elks, Knights of Pythias, Red Men, Woodmen, State Barn Assn., Exchange Club. Has been mayor of his city two terms, and is at present holding the office for which he is a candidate. Has been active in the Y. M. C. A. and the Chamber of Commerce civic activities. Stands for Democratic platform.

PROGRAM HELPS FOR OCTOBER

Efficiency in Government

Amendments to the Indiana Constitution. The Woman Voter May, 1926. The 1926 Year Book of the Indiana League of Women Voters.

"Federal Aid to the States," by Dorothy Kirchway Brown. Twenty cents per copy at State or National League headquarters. "Federal Aid", a publication of the Minnesota League of Women Voters, 1639 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"The Great Game of Politics", $1.00 per copy from the State Headquarters. "Parties, Politics and People"; Raymond Moley. Thirty-five cents per copy from State or National League Headquarters.

"Election Laws of Indiana", including the laws governing the primary elections, with instructions to voters and election officers; free from the office of the Secretary of State, Indianapolis.

LEAGUE PUBLICITY

League news sent out by the State League of Women Voters through the Associated Press, the United Press Association and the International News Service was used by the following newspapers: the Bloomington World, the Crawfordsville Journal, the Decatur Democrat, the Frankfort Times, the Gary Post-Tribune, the Goshen News-Times, the Huntington Press, the Michigan City Dispatch, the Muncie Press, the Peru Tribune, the Plymouth Pilot, the Portland Commercial-Review, the Richmond Palladium, the Richmond Item, the Sullivan Times, the Valparaiso Vidette, the Vincennes Evening Sun, the Washington Democrat. The Indianapolis newspapers used the articles direct from the publicity chairman.

There should be leagues in all of these towns which read our news. Editors who know their readers, find local citizens who wish to read League news. **Mrs.** L. L. Kolb, League organization chairman, is ready to help with the establishment of new Leagues. Established Leagues please let Mrs. Kolb know if a new league can be formed in a town nearby.

Prosperity Proofs

Republican control of our government for the last six years has brought the American people the greatest prosperity of all time as shown by the following figures indicating increased wealth and purchasing power.

	1920	1925
Number of automobiles	9,231,941	19,954.347
Number of Saving Depositors	22,415,148	42,850.127
Amt. of all Saving Deposits	$15,314,061,000	$23,134,052,000
No. of Building & Loan Assns.	8,633	11,844
Memberships in Building and Loan Associations	4,962,919	8,554,352
Assets of Building and Loan Associations	$2,519,914,971	$4,765,937,197
Premium Income of American Life Insurance Companies	$1,384,938,970	$2,371,921,237
Assets of American Life Insurance Companies	$7,319,997,018	$11,643,759,810
Number of Policy Holders	66,499,000	99,250,000
Average Wealth per capita in the United States	$2,819	$4,406

Democracy would tamper with the tariff

VOTE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET

Indiana State Republican Committee

News of the Branch Leagues

Bloomington met July 2 with Mrs. C. G. Malott, chairman of the women in industry committee, in charge of the program. Mrs. J. C. Ross was hostess at her home on Woodlawn Avenue.

Bicknell entertained the Vincennes League most delightfully July 13 at the home of Mrs. Alice Kixmiller. The event was the fourth annual picnic lunch. Members of the Vincennes League motored over. Mrs. Kixmiller was assisted by Mrs. J. D. Williams, Mrs. Chas. Ray, Mrs. Edward Wallace, Mrs. William V. Barr. Mrs. William Allen Cullop presided. The Honorable William Allen Cullop talked on "The Primary Law" and Judge John Rabb Emison, of the Knox County Supreme Court, gave a talk on "Law Enforcement." Mrs. Hamlet D. Hinkle and Mrs. Charles Unverferth took part in the discussion.

Brookville met at the Community Room of the People's Trust Company August 6.

Crawfordsville. The Crawfordsville Journal, July 6, carried an interesting account of the "Vote" campaign of the National League.

Evansville had the largest number of lines of newspaper publicity. July 7 Mrs. William S. Ehrich entertained the board of directors. The first reading classes of the summer were held at the home of Mrs. John R. Anderson, July 8, at 9:45 A. M. Federal Aid was discussed. Mrs. Carl Pate was appointed to take charge of the educational survey of the city and county schools. The second reading class met with Mrs. Anderson and the third with Mrs. O. R. Webb. Mrs. R. L. Halvorsen was hostess, at a luncheon, for the board of the district League on July 16. Mrs. Louis Graf entertained the reading class at its fourth meeting. Mrs. Emil Weil was reading class hostess. Miss Amy McOwen who is making a health survey of the county was special guest of the League at that time. The membership committee met at the home of Mrs. Ed. J. Fehn Aug. 6, and made plans for the year. Mrs. John R. Anderson is publicity director.

Elkhart. The retiring and incoming board members met for luncheon July 6. Mrs. Wilbur Templin presided and Mrs. A. H. Beardsley spoke.

Edinburg. Mrs. Edna M. Christian of Indianapolis spoke at Bethany Park July 27 on the policies of the League.

Indianapolis. The League met at the home of Mrs. John W. Kern June 30; at the home of Mrs. Samuel Lewis Shank, July 6; at the home of Mrs. Frank D. Hatfield, July 14, at the home of Mrs. Fred Balz, August 25. An intensive "Vote" campaign for September is being planned by the Indianapolis League through Indianapolis newspapers. Mrs. Streightoff entertained with a luncheon in honor of Miss Kirlin, August 12.

Lafayette. Four women's organizations, including the League met at the Lahr Hotel in joint session to hear Dr. Francis B. Short of New York City in a talk on "Religion in Business."

Michigan City. Mrs. H. R. Misener was hostess for a League picnic at her "Blue Bird" cottage, July 13. New officers were elected. Mrs. Misener was re-elected president; Mrs. Milo C. Murray, vice-president; Mrs. William C. Haviland, recording secretary; Mrs. G. B. Brice, corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. L. Mack, treasurer. Mrs. Denis Honahue remains in the holdover office of second vice-president.

Newcastle elected Miss Maie Miller president; Mrs. Okey Harrison vice-president; Mrs. Clara Teeter, secretary; Mrs. Jessie Nicholson, treasurer.

Newburg. The mid-summer meeting of the League was held July 11. Mrs. Cynthia Hall, chairman of the child welfare committee read the provisions of the Child Labor Bill. The Fess Farm Credits and the McNary-Haugen Bill were discussed. August second the League met in the library building. Mrs. Charles Vanda led a discussion on the "Value of Women's Clubs."

Portland. The W. C. T. U. and the League and their families picnicked at Wier Park August 6.

Princeton. The League met at the Elks Home Aug. 20

Rensselaer had excellent newspaper publicity. The Union Township League met at the Parr School House July 15. The State Tax Law was discussed by H. S. Agster, county agent. The Jasper County League met at the home of Mrs. Ora Thompson Ross July 21. Mrs. Frank Schroer will be in charge of a booth at the county fair. Mrs. J. A. McFarland is chairman of the program committee; Mrs. Ellen A. Greene, chairman of the child welfare committee; Mrs. Helen A. Guy, efficiency in government; Mrs. John I. Gwin, education; Mrs. Mary Drake, international co-operation to prevent war; Mrs. J. W. Horton, living costs.

Terre Haute had many lines of publicity. Committees for the year were appointed in a meeting held July 2 at the Chamber of Commerce. Porch parties for three months were arranged at a meeting July 13. Mrs. Morris Kleeman was hostess for the first porch party. Other hostesses were Mrs. Ransom Phillips, Mrs. Effie Dobbs, Mrs. Richard Chraniki, Mrs. C. B. Thomas, Mrs. Fred Scott, Mrs. Ben West, Mrs. Harry Dickey, Mrs. William Framer, Mrs. George A. Gagg. Subjects for discussion include Primaries, County Administration, Social Hygiene, and Amendments to the Constitution. Professor C. H. Meyerhoit, of the University of Pittsburg spoke at a meeting at the home of Mrs. Clara Ramage, Aug. 16.

Valparaiso. Mrs. Myers entertained the League Aug. 23.

Vincennes. Mrs. Alice Kixmiller, in Bicknell entertained members of the League. (See Bicknell.)

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Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin, Sixth District Convention Speaker

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UNDER REPUBLICAN RULE

—Six billion dollars of the Nation's war debt has been paid off in five years.

—Federal Income taxes have been reduced $1,600,000,000 a year.

—More than 2,300,000 individuals have been relieved from payment of income taxes.

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The Four Constitutional Amendments

By Sue Hamilton Yeaton — State Chairman — Efficiency in Government.

Registration of voters. Article II, Section 14 of the Indiana State Constitution provides for registration. The amendment reads: "In providing for the registration of persons entitled to vote, the General Assembly shall have power to classify the several counties, townships, cities, and towns of the state into classes, and to enact laws prescribing a uniform method of registration in any or all of such classes." The only new part is that relative to classification.

The primary purpose of registration laws is to prevent illegal voting. Many types of registration laws have been devised, many of which are costly, ineffectual, and constitute an unnecessary hindrance to voting. Suggested and actual improvements in registration laws seek in the main to do three things: first, to provide further safeguards against election frauds; secondly, to make registration a simpler process for the voter by requiring of him less frequent appearance for registration; and thirdly, to make registration less costly to the public.[2]

This amendment will give the General Assembly the power to make changes along the above mentioned lines. In large cities a comprehensive registration system is essential because of the large floating population. In cities of 2000 inhabitants or more personal registration should probably be required before each general election; in cities of less than 2000 those voting at the preceding general election should be automatically registered and only personal registration required of the citizens who did not vote in the preceding general election. The frequency of registration prevents many citizens from voting either because they are not able to register at the specified time or do not know of the necessity for re-registration after having done so once, and not having changed their residence in the interim.

By exercising the power granted by this amendment the General Assembly can group towns into classes according to population, enact registration laws to apply to each of these classes, with the result that registration would become more simple, and less expensive.

Extension of terms and increase of salaries of public officers. This is the Amendment to Article XV, Section 2 of the Indiana State Constitution and the new part reads: "nor shall the term of office or salary of any officer fixed by this constitution or by law be increased during the term for which such officer was elected or appointed." This is a simple, direct, statement of a fair regulation. One feels that when a candidate is elected he is by virtue of accepting the office honor bound to accept the term and the salary, but one state officer has only recently attempted to increase his salary to half again the amount at which he accepted the position.

Enumeration of voters. Article IV, Sections 4 and 5 of the Indiana State Constitution provides for the enumeration, every six years, of all male inhabitants over the age of twenty-one years and that the number of senators and representatives be apportioned among the several counties according to these enumerations. The proposed amendment provides that during the period between the general election in 1928 and the convening of the legislature in 1929, and every 6th year thereafter, the number of votes cast for all the candidates for secretary of state in the different counties in the last preceding general election be ascertained; also that the number of senators and representatives shall thereafter be apportioned among the several counties according to the number of votes so cast.

Senator English advanced the argument of economy here; $100,000 could be saved for each enumeration. Since women as well as men now vote, "male" should be changed to "inhabitants". Unfavorable comment maintains there is a step here toward government by the few. Advocates say that those who do not vote are not represented in the General Assembly anyway.

Taxation. The proposed amendment to Article X, Section 1, and the Section 8 of Article X provides for the taxation on incomes. A step toward taxation on incomes is welcomed by all who are interested in relieving the owner of real estate from undue taxation while many vast amounts of wealth in incomes and bonds are tax exempt under the present law. Why should the owner of a $10,000 farm pay a very high rate of tax on it while a man earning $10,000 per year with only a small office and desk but receiving just as much from the government, as it secures "his life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness," be exempt from taxation?

1. The text of the amendments was printed on page 3 of the May, 1926 number of the WOMAN VOTER.

2. Rocca, Helen M, Registration Laws, page 11 National League of Women Voters, Washington, D. C.

PROGRAM OF THE SIXTH DISTRICT CONVENTION

October 18, 1926
Registration, McFarlan Hotel, Connersville 10:30 A. M.

MORNING SESSION

Mrs. Charles N. Teetor, Presiding

Reports of Local Leagues — 11:00

Mrs. Prudence Douglas, Shelbyville
Mrs. Hermena Klipple, Brookville
Mrs. Walter Saxon, Fairview Township
Miss Mamie Smith, Hagerstown

Round Table Discussion: "Goals for Local Leagues," Leader, Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff, State President.

"How to Use State Headquarters," Florence Kirlin, Executive Secretary.

There will be a display of literature and study group material any of which may be ordered during the day.

LUNCHEON MEETING — 1:00

Mrs. Charles N. Teetor, District Chairman, Presiding.

Greetings, Mrs. Christian Eby, Connersville.

Response, Mrs. Walter Saxon, Falmouth.

Greetings from the State Board of Directors, Mrs. Frank Hatch Streightoff.

"Living Costs," Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin, Chairman of the National League Committee on Living Costs.

CITIZENSHIP SCHOOL PROGRAM

Indiana League of Women Voters

Peru, October 11, afternoon and evening
Hagerstown, October 12, morning and afternoon
Brookville, October 12, afternoon and evening

FIRST SESSION

The Primary vs the Convention—Miss Agnes Hilton, Chairman of the Efficiency in Government Committee of the Ohio State League.

Open discussion.

The Psychology of Voting—Miss Florence Kirlin, Executive Secretary of the Indiana League of Women Voters.

Discussion.

SECOND SESSION

Explanation of the league program and work—representative of the state league of women voters.

Local Government—How Much Can We Ask it to Do?—Miss Florence Harrison, Regional Secretary.

Open discussion.

County Finances—by county treasurer.

Note: Princeton will have essentially the same program as that given above. Miss Hilton will not be available, but arrangements are being made to secure another speaker who will be as acceptable as she. The Princeton school will be either on October 14 or 16. Terre Haute and Michigan City have qualified for the schools but these two will be given later in the year.

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Editorial

MRS. HARRIS T. BALDWIN

Excellent public training and a housekeeper's grasp of the problems of living costs provide Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin, of Washington, D. C., with a fitting background for the direction of the living costs work conducted by the National League of Women Voters.

Mrs. Baldwin also is regarded as an entertaining and authoritative speaker an many phases of living costs. She has the happy faculty of making such technical subjects as cooperative associations, the tariff, unfair trade practices, markets and market facilities, lively resourceful topics.

Before her marriage in 1922, Mrs. Baldwin was with the U. S. Department of Agriculture as a milk utilization expert. In three years she visited virtually every state, to direct the conduct of "milk for health" campaign. She is a keen observer, and in those travels seized every opportunity to discuss living costs and its kindred subjects with women voters.

She is a conscientious follower of all federal hearings on matters relating to her committee program. She attends every congregational hearing, and rarely misses the public hearings of the U. S. Federal Trade and Tariff Commissions.

Mrs. Baldwin was educated in the public schools of Arlington, Mass., her birthplace, and in 1918 was graduated from Teachers' College, Columbia University. During the summer following her graduation, she had an interesting experience as director of home demonstration work for the Maryland State Agricultural College.

All of Mrs. Baldwin's devotion and energy, outside of her home, is confined to the National League, the American Association of University Women, and the American Home Economic Association. For several years she was president of the College Women's Club in Washington until it merged with the University Women.

Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin—whose picture you noticed on the cover—will be chief speaker at the Sixth District Convention. Any league members who can attend the luncheon meeting of the convention are cordially invited to do so to meet Mrs. Baldwin and women of the Sixth District.

THE LEAGUES IN THE SIXTH DISTRICT

The Sixth District has four leagues: Brookville, Jefferson Township, Fairview Township, and Shelbyville. Two of these leagues—Brookville and Jefferson Township—have qualified for the Citizenship School which will be given on October 11 and 12. Isn't that a splendid record?

The Fairview Township league and the Shelbyville league are concentrating on study groups this year. Shelbyville plans to use the program published in the July number of the WOMAN VOTER as an outline for their study. Each member is to acquaint herself with the material the state office can provide on each of the topics mentioned and then they will meet once a month and under the direction of an able leader will discuss these topics. Fairview Township league plans to take up an intensive study of the subjects suggested by the state officers for study groups. They have a very complete organization in their league, having chairmen for all of the standing committees and some special committees, such as one on local legislation. They are very fortunate in having Mrs. Walter Saxon as president. She has been very active in club work for a number of years. She helped to organize the league in her community and served as president for three years and is now entering on her fourth year of service.

Brookville was so very modest in their report that we cannot give you much information about them. Mrs. Hermana Klipple is president, Mrs. George Elmer Dennett is secretary, and Mrs. August Hermensdorfer is treasurer. Monthly meetings are well attended. Members are active. They have qualified for a citizenship school. The office says that they send reports and remittances promptly, which speaks very well for their organization.

The Jefferson Township League is a flourishing one, and one of the few leagues in which the finance question solves itself. Each member of the league pledges the amount she thinks she can afford. They have meetings *every two weeks,* and at each meeting a small jar is passed around and as Mrs. Small says, "each member puts in or takes out the amount she wishes." They find that they are able to meet their obligation to the state and have sufficient funds for their own needs, too, without any strenuous effort being put forth by any member. Perhaps some of you other leagues might have an equal degree of success if you put this method to work in your organization. At least it is worth trying, don't you think? Miss Mamie Miller is president of the league this year; Mrs. Blanche Small is the retiring officer. Mrs. Charles N. Teetor was formerly the sixth district chairman and attended state board meetings regularly. She and Mrs. Small attended the National convention in St. Louis last spring.

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Name	Candidate for:	Occupation	Education	Political Record	Affiliations	Civic Record
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Jones, Jap Martinsville	Treasurer of State	Merchant and hotel proprietor; bank director		Term in state legislature	Methodist church, Masonic Lodge, K. of P. Elks, Lions Club	Trustee of Martinsville hospital
Ferguson, David S. Covington	Auditor of State	Farmer	Public schools	County auditor	Knights of Pythias	
Lindley, John W. Sullivan	Appellate Court, 1st Division	Attorney, farmer	Graduate of Carbondale, Ill. Normal	Was prosecuting attorney of judicial circuit; county attorney; co. chairman of his party	Baptist Church, Elks, Masonic Lodge, Shrine, State and Co. Bar Assn.	
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Remy, Charles F. Indianapolis	Appellate Court, 1st Division	Attorney, Present judge of appellate court	Graduated from Franklin College and Mich. Univ. law school	Precinct committeeman; member of state committee	Baptist church, Columbia Club; Century Literary Club; K. of P.; Modern Woodmen; Son of Revolution; State and national bar assns.	
Enloe, Solon A. Indianapolis	Appellate court, 1st. Division	Attorney and law teacher; present judge of appellate court	Attended Central Normal College		Christian Church, Masonic Lodge, Modern Woodmen, U. S. W. V., V. F. W., Columbia Club	
McMahan, Willis C. Crown Point	Appellate Court 2nd Division	Teacher, attorney, present judge of appellate court	One year of teacher training; graduate of Univ. of Mich. law school	Co. prosecutor; circuit judge; secretary of co. committee of his party	K. of P., Columbia Club. State Bar Assn.	Parent-teacher Assn., Red Cross Lake Co. Selective service; Council of Defense
Nichols, Alonzo S. Winchester	Appellate court, 2nd Division	Attorney, present judge of appellate court, business	Attended common schools, and took part course in Normal	Clerk of court	Church of Christ, Sons of Veterans, K. of P., Ind. Bar Assn., Anti-Saloon League	Trustee, James Moormans Orphans Home
Martin, Clarence R. Indianapolis	Supreme Court 3rd District	Attorney, former newspaper reporter and law clerk	Ind. law school graduate, and Univ. of Mich.	Counsel, 1919 for Senate committee investigating radicals. Managed state speakers' bureau for his party, 1922	Baptist church, Columbia Club, Masonic Lodge Scottish Rite, Shrine, State Bar Assn., Mercator Club	

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The news of the branch leagues was omitted from this issue because of the legislative material that had to be printed at this time.

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Please write immediately to your Representative and to Senators Watson and Robinson urging their favorable action at the next Congress on the extension of the period of operation of the Maternity and Infancy Protection Act. The period of operation of the present act ends June 30, 1927. The League is asking the extension of its operation for two more years. The Congress which convenes this December is the last opportunity we have to secure the extension before expiration of the act next summer.

PLEASE ACT AT ONCE!

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TARIFF BARRIERS

By Mary N. Hatfield.

Within the month comes the manifesto from big bankers of fifteen nations, saying that hard times in Europe are due to tariff barriers which block free trade in all directions.

Bankers signing are, J. P. Morgan, Gates W. McGarrah, of the Dawes plan International Banking Committee, J. J. Mitchell, President of the Illinois Merchants Trust Company of Chicago; Thomas N. Perkins of Boston, Melvin A. Traylor, President of the First National Bank of Chicago, and Albert H. Wiggin, Chairman of the Board of the Chase National Bank of New York. Familiar names of European signers are: Mantagu Norman, Reginald McKenna, Lord Inchcape, and Sir Josiah Stamp of England; Hjalmar Schacht, President of the German Reichsbank; R. P. Duchemin, head of the French chemical industry; A. S. Benni, who heads the general Facists Federation of Industries of Italy; Baron Louis Rothschild, of the Rothschild firm in Austria, and the banker Ter Meulen of Holland.

Clinton W. Gilbert in the New York Evening Post says:

"It is not the language of the attack upon tariffs, but the fact that it is signed by great American bankers that makes it an issue in American politics.

"With American investments abroad already large and growing larger, and with the Allied nations committed to paying the United States many billions of war loans, foreign investors in this country are becoming more and more interested in the free flow of commodities here, since it is difficult to see how the annual interest here charged against Europe can be paid except through the importations o fcommodities."

Twenty-six different tariff walls exist in Europe. The Locarno policy is toward freer trade in Europe. Many American writers see here a situation similar to that of the United States following the Revolution.

Protectionists now control our national policy. Party lines are broken through. The Democratic South, once free-trader is becoming protectionist. Thus in spite of the opinion of international bankers and exporting manufacturers, the next tariff revision is likely to be upward.—Summary from the Literary Digest, Oct. 30, 1926.

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

By Florence Kirlin.

The November elections show the usual off-year decline in Administration strength. The United States Senate is not greatly affected, but the House is affected greatly. The effect of this will be to stimulate the formation of small blocs that will attempt to hold the balance of power. There is likelihood of a new Farm Bloc a year hence.

Appropriation bills will be all that will be likely to be passed. The McNary-Haugen Bill, the Fess Bill, will probably come up.

The bill for the extension of the time to be covered by the appropriation provided in the Sheppard Towner Maternity and Infancy Act is on the calendar for the December session. This bill was passed by the House of Representatives by a large majority, was referred to the Senate Committee where it was amended to cover a period of only one more year instead of two. The present appropriation of the Sheppard Towner covers the period to June, 1927, only. It is important that this act be extended to cover two more years in order that the work that has been started can be put on a firmer foundation so that it can be continued without federal aid if necessary. Each league has been requested to do some active work toward arousing public interest to such an extent that the Senate will pass the bill in its original form.

In the meantime, the nation looks forward to the annual message from the President to Congress.

In Indiana during October the budgets of various state departments and the Universities and Normal Schools have been presented. These will be acted upon by a new finance committee which will be appointed by the Governor.

The legislative Librarian cannot at this time predict what the legislative issues will be.

Dr. Christopher Coleman is interested in the George Rogers Clark Memorial, and followers of that movement will urge the State to buy a part of a tract of land for that purpose.

The State Library Board will prepare, within the next thirty days, the list of needs for a new library building. Mr. William Taylor is president of the board.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Fortunately or unfortunately, as one likes active work or not, the accepted program for the League of Women Voters, in the department of International Co-operation to Prevent War, is mainly a study program this year. Hence we have the time and opportunity to make this such an effective year of study, that when the call for action comes, it shall find us prepared on every subject listed.

December has been suggested for Peace programs and what more appropriate months could we have for Peace programs than the birth month of the Prince of Peace!

Will you make "Peace on Earth, Good Will to All" the slogan of your programs and will you try to have, besides your League meeting, Christmas entertainments at schools and churches, partake of that nature also?

Will you ask your librarian for a list of books for children, along this line, that will make good Christmas gifts? Put the Peace posters and the Children of All Nations pictures in all schools and Sunday Schools. Posters and pictures can be secured from the Indiana Council on International Relations, 513 Illinois Bldg., Indianapolis, Indiana.

All of us know that our most effective Peace work can be done in school and church and playground, wherever children are, for it is to the Youth of the country we must look for a really universal and permanent Peace.

PROGRAM HELPS FOR DECEMBER

Disarmament

Magazine references: **Outlook,** June 2, '26, "Thinking Disarmament"; **Literary Digest,** March 7, 1925, "What Another Disarmament Conference Could Do"; **Current History Magazine,** July, 1926, "Preliminary Disarmament Conference"; **Woman Citizen,** June, 1926, "What Halts Disarmament"; **New Republic,** July 21, 1926, "Disarmament Not Yet".

"Everyday Questions About Disarmament and Security," National League of Women Voters. Three cents.

National Defense Act

"Primer and Summary of the National Defense Act and Necessary Appropriations", National League of Women Voters, Fifteen cents.

"Military Training in Schools and Colleges of the United States", Winthrop Lane, Committee on Military Training, 387 Bible House, Astor Place, New York, N. Y. 10 cents each. An excellent presentation of the subject of military training by its opponents.

"Reserve Officers Training Corps at Educational Institutions". Extracts from letters o presidents of universities and colleges commenting on value of the work of reserve officers training corps. Printed for use of committee on military affairs, sixty-seventh congress, second session. Only opinions favorable to military training are included.

Magazine references: **Woman Citizen,** November, 1925 and December, 1925; **School and Society,** July 17, 1926, "Debate on Military Training"; **School and Society,** December 19, 1925, "Military Training in American Schools and Colleges"; **Literary Digest,** July 3, 1926 "President's Stand Against Compulsory Military Training"; **Nation,** December 16, 1925, "Militarizing American Youth"; **Harpers,** June, 1926, "The Rude Militia" by Stuart Rose; **The World Tomorrow,** October, 1926, entire issue.

Education for Peace

Pictures of children in many lands, plays, pageants, etc, in "Through the Gateway", Indiana Council on International Relations, 513 Illinois Bldg., Indianapolis.

"Heroes of Peace", Gould
"Peace and Patriotism", Smith
"Course in Citizenship", Cabot
"Living Together", Dodnaum
"Soldiers of the Prince", Jefferson

Magazine references: **School and Society,** August, 1925, "Subordinating War in the Text Books"; **Educational Review,** October, 1925, "World Peace Through Education"; **Education,** December, 1925, "Teaching Peace in the Schools"; **Atlantic,** December, 1925, "When Will Chrismas Come".

Note: A more complete list of references can be secured from state headquarters.

Federal Aid

The state office has the following pamphlets on the subpect of the Sheppard Towner Act: "The Case for Acceptance of the Sheppard Towner Act," Dorothy Kirchwey Brown, $.50. This is a clear and authoritative statement of the need for protection of maternity and infancy with an examination of the use of federal aid in problems of general welfare. The conclusion is drawn that the Sheppard Towner Act is a wise application of the system of Federal grants in aid and should therefore be accepetd by each state. "Why Renew the Sheppard Towner Act," $.03. "What the Sheppard Towner Act Means to Indiana," $.03. Also a pamphlet by Kirchwey Brown on "Federal Aid," $.20.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Finances for Education in Indiana

1. Endowments as a source of public school support.
2. Assessments for school buildings.
3. A uniform county levy.
4. State-wide taxation of property located essentially in the state as a whole.
5. If a larger state-wide fund seems desirable, possibility of drawing some of it from gasoline or inheritance tax.
6. State-aid for buildings in poor districts.
7. Consolidation of the several school "funds" to avoid duplication of bookkeeping.
8. A watchful eye upon the income tax.

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Editorial

MRS. ETHEL CLARKE

The executive committee of the League is happy in announcing that Mrs. Ethel P. Clarke, Director of the Indiana University Training School for Nurses, is to be chairman of the social hygiene committee.

Mrs. Clarke is a graduate of the University of Maryland Hospital Training School for Nurses, and of Columbia University. Mrs. Clarke, before coming to Indianapolis, was superintendent of nurses in her own college in Maryland, and for four years was superintendent of DeSoto Sanitarium in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs. Clarke is a member of the American Nurses Association, the National League of Nursing Education, the National Public Health Association. During the past year Mrs. Clarke has been chairman of mental hygiene in the Seventh District Federated Clubs.

SIXTH DISTRICT CONVENTION

The convention of the leagues in the Sixth District was held on October 18 at Connersville as announced in the October VOTER. Hagerstown, Brookville, and Fairview Township leagues were well represented. In the morning the presidents of the local leagues reported on the activities of each league, Mrs. Streightoff spoke on "Goals for Local Leagues" emphasizing the importance of having a carefully planned schedule for all the work of the league and well defined goals toward which to work. Miss Kirlin explained the function of the state office and the specific aid that could be expected from it; also some of the specific things local leagues could do to help increase the efficiency of the state office. Mrs. Ruff of Glenwood was elected chairman of the Sixth District, to succeed Mrs. Charles N. Teetor, who resigned.

Mrs. Christian Eby of Connersville gave the welcoming address at the luncheon. Mrs. Baldwin spoke on factors which influence the cost of living emphasizing the role of the tariff in adjusting prices and also how the Federal Trade Commission functions. Thirty-five people attended the luncheon meeting.

Mrs. Baldwin, after leaving Connersville, spoke in Indianapolis and Michigan City.

NATIONAL LEAGUE PROGRAM

of the Department of International Cooperation to Prevent War

Recommendations for Study

1. The Causes of War.
2. World Cooperation:
   - League of Nations.
   - Arbitration, Security, and Disarmament.
3. The Foreign Policy of the United States:
   - National Defense Act.
     - Military Education in Schools and Colleges.
     - Education for Peace in Schools and Colleges.
   - Monroe Doctrine.
   - Problems of the Pacific.
4. The Conduct of Foreign Policy in the United States:
   - Duties and Powers of the President.
   - The State Department.
   - The Senate Power of Advice and Consent.
5. Proposed Program of Committee on Cause and Cure of War.

Recommendations for Legislation

(*To be supported by study*)

1. Support of measures designed to make the Permanent Court of International Justice effective for peace, progressive codification of international law, and measures designed to effect the outlawry of war.
2. Support of measures permitting the United States to take part in international reduction of armaments, and to participate officially in economic and humanitarian conferences and commissions designed to promote international harmony, whether called by the League of Nations, by individual nations, or initiated by the United States.

LOCAL LEAGUES

For purposes of economy the state office has discontinued its clipping service of local league news. Will each league please send to the state headquarters, newspaper clippings of its activities? In addition to these clippings the editor of the VOTER will appreciate receiving a personal letter telling about any unusual activities of the local leagues, or any project that a local league is taking up which will be of interest to other leagues in the state. Your co-operation will help the state office immeasurably.

"No law shall be passed restraining the free interchange of thought and opinion, or restraining the right to speak, write, or print freely, on any subject whatever. . . .," Constitution of Indiana.

BASIC, LIKE THE LEAGUE ITSELF!

Announcing the Fall Edition of the LIST OF PUBLICATIONS National League of Women Voters

Some of us who believe with all our beings in the League of Women Voters find it hard to tell our next door neighbors just why we do believe like that. We would be truly eloquent if we could just get started!

Let's use the LIST OF PUBLICATIONS as our text. Take a look at it—OUR catalogue of new things to read. It's brought up to date every six months—re-issued every year. It's thorough, like the League. It starts at the beginning. Look at page one. What has the League done? What is it going to do? What are its principles and policies? Your intelligent curiosity can be satisfied for a few cents. The prices are listed.

"Judicious mixture of definiteness in principle with elasticity in details"—the CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES! The League's own edition with brief historical footnotes. For every League member to keep in her pocket.

SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF ILLEGITIMACY. This leaflet sets out clearly and simply some of the problems that will be disclosed by a study of item four on the child labor welfare study program, and while on child welfare don't forget that Sheppard-Towner is the League's first concern when Congress meets and WHY RENEW THE SHEPPARD-TOWNER ACT? is the leafllet for that.

"Both sides of the prohibition controversy recognize that enforcement of the law up to the present time has been far from complete." THE MERIT SYSTEM IN APPOINTING PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS suggests a remedy and summarizes measures which have been before the Congress—particularly the Cramton Bill now on the Senate calendar.

To produce it you need only four copies of the pamph-

THE FAMILY TAKES NOTICE. This is a play. let and any informal gathering with four members who can read aloud. The characters are: a farmer father, a League mother, a city daughter who is a candidate for the legislature, a lawyer son. With such a combination discussing the child labor amendment something is bound to happen. It does!

STATE CHILD LABOR LAWS.

HOW A CHILD LABOR LAW IS ENFORCED.

These are child labor "Fact Sheets" Nos. 11 and 12.

RECENT STATE CHILD LABOR LEGISLATURE. One hears claims that state laws are according full protection to children from the evils of child labor. One hears further claims that federal child labor legislation would actually discourage improvements in state laws. That neither of these claims is true is proved in startlingly clear fashion by this new pamphlet.

THE GREAT ADMINISTRATION. "This is still a new country. In our veins runs the blood of pioneers. City charters and the manager plan, state departments and an executive budget, federal aid, taxation, civil service—do these seem to you dry and technical subjects, or are they a challenge to find for our expanded government, a great administration?" Read the whole address. Every word tells!

"What is the Program of the Education Committee all about?" Refer to the HANDBOOK. Item by item each topic is lucidly explained.

THE WAY OF THE LEAGUE. It stretches your mind. As you read it you think the thoughts of true democracy.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC. REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, OF THE WOMAN VOTER, PUBLISHED MONTHLY, EXCEPT AUGUST, AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FOR OCTOBER 1, 1926.

State of Indiana County of Marion, SS.:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Frances Doan Streightoff, President, Indiana League of Woman Voters, ho, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that she is the publisher of the Woman Voter and that the following is, to the best of her knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in Section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse side of this form, to-wit:

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4. That the two paragraphs next above giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security holders, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholders or security holders appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and belief as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds, or other securities than as so stated by her.

INDIANA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS,
Mrs. Frances Doan Streightoff President.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of Oct., 1926.

(SEAL) M. D. LARSH,
Notary Public.

My commission expires Mar. 8, 1928.

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A BILL

TO CREATE A DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is established at the seat of government an executive department to be known as the Department of Education, to be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Secretary of Education shall receive a salary at the rate of $15,000 per annum. Section 158 of the Revised Statutes is amended to include the Department of Education, and the provisions of Title IV of the Revised Statutes, as now or hereafter amended shall be applicable to the department. The Secretary of Education shall cause a seal of office to be made for the Department of Education of such device as the President shall approve, and judicial notice shall be taken thereof.

Sec. 2. There shall be in the Department of Education an Assistant Secretary of Education, to be appointed by the President and to receive a salary of $7,500 per annum. The Assistant Secretary shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Education or required by law. There shall also be a solicitor, a chief clerk, and a disbursing clerk, and such chiefs of bureaus and such scientific, technical, and clerical assistants as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act and as may be provided for by Congress from time to time.

Sec. 3. (a) The Bureau of Education and all pertaining thereto is transferred from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Education.

(b) The office of Commissioner of Education is abolished, and the authority, powers, and duties heretofore conferred and imposed by law upon the Commissioner of Education shall be exercised and performed by the Secretary of Education.

(c) The Federal Board for Vocational Education is transferred to the Department of Education, and all the authority, powers, and duties heretofore conferred or imposed by law upon the Federal Board for Vocational Education shall be exercised and performed by the Board as a division of the Department of Education. The Secretary of Education shall be a member of the Federal Board for Vocational Education and ex officio chairman of said Board.

(d) The authority, powers, and duties conferred and imposed by law upon the Secretary of the Interior with relation to the Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Howard University, shall be exercised and performed by the Secretary of Education.

Sec. 4. (a) Except as otherwise provided by this Act, all authority, powers, and duties held, exercised, and performed by the head of any executive department in and over any bureau, office, or branch of the Government which is by this Act transferred to the Department of Education, or which is abolished by this Act and its authority, powers, and duties transferred to the Department of Education, or in and over any business arising therefrom or pertaining thereto, or in relation to the duties performed by and authority conferred by law upon such bureau, office, or branch of the Government, whether of an appellate or revisory character or otherwise, shall be vested in and exercised by the Secretary of Education.

(b) All orders, rules, regulations, and permits or other privileges, which have been issued or granted by any bureau, office, or branch of the Government except the Federal Board for Vocational Education which is transferred under the provisions of this Act to the Department of Education, and which are in effect at the time of the transfer, shall, after the transfer, so far as they are not in conflict with the provisions of this Act, continue in effect to the same extent as if the transfer had not occurred, until modified, superseded, or repealed by the Secretary of Education.

Sec. 5. All officers, and employees employed in or by any office, bureau, or branch of the Government, transferred in accordance with the provisions of this Act to the Department of Education, are transferred to the Department of Education without change in classification or compensation; and the records and property, including office equipment, of any such office bureau, or branch of the Government so transferred, are transferred to the Department of Education.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of Education shall have charge in the buildings and premises occupied by or assigned to the Department of Education, of the library, furniture, fixtures, records, and other property pertaining to the department or hereafter acquired for use in its business. Until other quarters are provided, the Department of Education may occupy the buildings and premises occupied by the bureaus, offices, and branches of the Government which are by this Act transferred to or included in the Department of Education.

Sec. 7. In order to coordinate the educational activities carried on by the several executive departments, and to recommend ways and means of improving the educational work of the Federal Government, there is hereby created the Federal Conference on Education, which will consist of one representative and one alternate appointed by the head of each department. The Federal Conference on Education shall not report as a body to any one department, but each representative shall report the findings of the Federal Conference on Education to his own department for consideration and independent action.

Sec. 8. (a) The Department of Education shall collect such statistics and facts as shall show the condition and progress of education in the

several States and in foreign countries. In order to aid the people of the several States in establishing and maintaining more efficient schools and school systems, in devising better methods of organization, administration and financing of education, in developing better types of school buildings and in providing for their use, in improving methods of teaching, and in developing more adequate curricula and courses of study, research shall be undertaken in (1) rural education; (2) elementary education; (3) secondary education; (4) higher education; (5) professional education; (6) physical education, including health education and recreation; (7) special education for the mentally and physically handicapped; (8) the training of teachers; (9) immigration education; (10) adult education; and (11) such other fields as in the judgment of the Secretary of Education may require attention and study.

(b) The department shall make available to educational officers in the several States and to other persons interested in education, the results of the research and investigations conducted by it, and the funds appropriated for printing and binding for the Department of Education shall be available for the printing and binding of the results of such research and investigations.

Sec. 9. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and annually thereafter, the sum of $1,500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the Department of Education, for the purpose of paying salaries and the conducting of studies and investigations, the paying of incidental and traveling expenses incurred in connection with the investigations or inquiries undertaken by the department and for law books, books of reference and periodicals, and for such other purposes as may be necessary to enable the Department of Education to carry out the provisions of this Act. All unexpended appropriations which shall be available at the time when this Act takes effect in relation to the various bureaus, offices, and branches of the Government which are by this Act transferred to or included in the Department of Education, or which are abolished by this Act, and their authority, powers, and duties transferred to the Department of Education, shall become available for expenditure by the Department of Education and shall be treated the same as if such bureaus, offices, and branches of the Government had been directly named in the laws making the appropriations as part of the Department of Education.

Sec. 10. The Secretary of Education shall annually, at the close of each fiscal year, make a report in writing to Congress giving an account of all moneys received and disbursed by the Department of Education and describing the work done by the department. He shall also from time to time make such special investigations and reports as may be required of him by the President or by either House of Congress or as he himself may deem necessary and urgent.

Sec. 11. This Act shall take effect thirty days after its passage, except that the provisions of this Act in relation to the transfer of any agency from the purisdiction and control of one officer to the jurisdiction and control of another, or in relation to the abolishment of any existing agency, or in relation to the transfer of authority, powers, and duties from one officer or agency to another, shall take effect July 1, 1926.

BRANCH LEAGUE NOTES

Bloomington league had a luncheon meeting of its board of directors at the University Cafeteria on October 13. Miss Florence Harrison, regional secretary discussed league problems with the organization and explained some of the work that is being done in other localities. Florence Kirlin, state executive secretary was also a guest of the board.

Brookville league qualified for the citizenship school which was conducted on October 12 by the state organization. A number of members of the Brookville league attended the Sixth District Convention in Connersville on October 18.

Elkhart league gave a reception and tea on September 27 as the opening feature of the fall and winter program. On October 4, Mrs. Streightoff, state president, was the guest of the league at a luncheon given in the League House. She spoke on the purpose of the state and national organization of the League and of the responsibility of women in public affairs. On October 11, Mrs. Robert C. Morris of Toledo addressed the league on the subject "Shakespeare as a Living Influence". The first family night dinner of the league was held on October 13. The general public is invited to these meetings.

Evansville league held its first open meeting of the season on September 13. A dinner was served in the Chamber of Commerce Rooms and the playlet, "Who Defeated Dugan?" given. The league has had a number of reading group meetings during the summer and fall on such subjects as "Super-Power", "Child Labor", and other questions of particular interest to league members. On October 4 the league met at the Chamber of Commerce and discussed the question of the legal status of women in Indiana. Miss Florence Harrison spoke at a meeting of the Woman City Club on Friday, October 15, as a representative of the League. On October 22 and 23 the league gave instruction on how to mark the ballot and how to use the voting machines.

Hagerstown league qualified for the citizenship school which was held on October 12. The league holds regular bi-weekly meetings where each committee chairman is given an opportunity to report on her work. On September 29 the league held its meeting at the home of Mrs. Bert Monroe, Newcastle, Indiana.

Indianapolis league conducted a vote campaign by means of questionnaire coupons printed in the Indianapolis papers which received much publicity. Copies of the report of the results obtained appeared in the newspapers of 38 different towns in Indiana, as well as in the Indianapolis papers. The league also held four candidates meetings. They have organized a study group on municipal government and have started a special fund to secure speakers of note on this subject. The first open meeting of the league was a dinner meeting on October 18 when Mrs. Baldwin, chairman of the national league committee on living costs, spoke.

For lack of space it was impossible to publish all news of the Branch Leagues this month.

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UNDERSTAND

Indiana's Educational Situation

and then

ACT

The January meeting of the General Assembly provides the opportunity to make your opinion count!

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A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

DO YOU LOVE CHILDREN?

Do you realize that last year in Georgia 23,000 children were born without a doctor's care? Does it get under your skin that stillbirths and infant deaths are twice as numerous among unsupervised mothers as among those who have prenatal care?

For years the League studied the principles of mother conferences, child clinics, and prenatal counselling embodied in the Sheppard-Towner Act. After searching criticism the act was endorsed. Five years have abundantly proved its value. Through it six thousand baby lives are saved every year in Indiana alone.

There many states in which the Maternity and Infant Welfare Work will be abandoned unless the act is renewed for at least two years. The House has passed a bill extending the act for two years. The Senate threatens to cut this renewal to one year—an insufficient time. If it has not been acted on at the time this reaches you *write at once* to Senators James E. Watson and Arthur R. Robinson. Urge them in no uncertain terms to WORK and VOTE for the TWO year entension. Ask then to reply saying what they intend to do.

SHALL WE BREAK FAITH?

With those who died in war to end war? Our reserved entrance in to the World Court will not be consummated if the President abides by his policy announced at Kansas City.

Write to President Coolidge. Urge him to stand firm for the Court even if the other forty-eight nations accept our fifth resevation with a counter reservation to the effect that the United States seeks entrance only on a basis of equality.

Write Senators of Indiana urging them to support the Court. Let them know that those who studied the problem for years favor our participation in the Court. Ask them to reply.

MAY PEACE AND GOOD WILL BE YOURS

at this season; yours in the consciousness that you have done your part:

1. As a citizen exercising your right and performing your duty of participation in public affairs.
2. As a friend of the children and one who desires to build up a vigorous physical manhood for the nation.
3. As a believer in a simple honest attempt to settle international differences without the tragedy of war.

—Frances Doan Streightoff, President of Indiana League.

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"Citizenship Means Service"

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Educational Needs of Indiana

By Mrs B. B. White, State Chairman of Education

The League of Woman Voters calls upon its members to pay attention to the grave need for convincing the people of Indiana of the tremendous returns which come from State institutions of higher education and the necessity of adequate support for them.

The coming legislature can remedy the situation which exists.

The State Universities and Normal Schools, now on a biennial appropriation basis, are in a serious financial condition. They need the support of all friends of education.

The question concerns thousands of business, professional, farm and labor classes who receive direct aid from state schools. The question is likewise of utmost importance and consequence to parents of 600,000 boys and girls in elementary and secondary schools.

Indiana, compared with six states in the North Central Region provides for its universities less than half the average income for State Universities. Yet in population and wealth, income, enjoyment of luxuries, in demands for progress in nearly every direction, in DEMANDS for higher education Indiana stands well up among the seven North Central States. Our State's estimated aggregate annual income is actually higher than that of Wisconsin, Minnesota, or Iowa. The following figures from State Auditors' reports checked with the Acts of appropriations of the various legislatures:

State Funds for University for fiscal years ending in 1925—

Michigan	$7,628,501
Illinois	6,265,782
Iowa	6,045,789
Ohio	5,130,516
Minnesota	4,063,047
Wisconsin	4,025,003
Average, 6 states	5,526,439
INDIANA (I. U. and Purdue)	2,598,173

Similar limited support is provided for State Normal Schools. Indiana devotes less than half as much to Normal Schools as Michigan and less than a third as much as Wisconsin.

With less than half of the amount neighboring state schools get and with similar work to do, what is the result?

Teachers are lost to other states paying higher salaries. Hundreds of students are turned away. Books are insufficient in number and those on hand cannot be reached on account of inadequate library help.

Equipment is run down and obsolete. New buildings are badly needed. Walks, roofs, walls are deteriorating under a program which will not permit proper upkeep.

These generalizations which any one can plainly see are supported by figures.

Indiana University has lost 47 staff members within the last two years because of a 50 per cent salary increase paid by other institutions.

More than 1,000 students have been forced away from Indiana University because space would not permit their admission.

As compared with other states, Indiana University has half as many volumes in its library; less than one third the annual budget, one fourth the salaried employees.

Conditions are similar at Purdue. During the past ten months a score of leading faculty members have resigned to enter other fields at considerable advances of salary.

Purdue puts $25,000 a year into engineering research. Illinois with three fourths the number of engineering students devotes $125,000 to the same purpose.

Thirty-six Hoosier communities last year requested Purdue agricultural short courses. Only ten could be provided.

The Terre Haute State Normal School is in immediate need of (1) money for repair of buildings, (2) a new modern training school, (3) new buildings providing an adquate number of recitation rooms, (4) a larger and better paid faculty; and (5) money for purposes of real estate for inevitable expansion at far lower cost than it can be purchased in the future.

The Indiana State Normal School at Muncie has had an average increase in enrollment of 24% each year for the last three years. Additional funds are needed to attract and hold strong men and women for the faculty.

Class room is at premium. Classes are compelled to meet during the early and late hours each

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The Direct Primary

The direct primary law of Indiana is under fire. The League of Women Voters ever since its convention has supported the direct primary system because it is a step forward. It was established in the United States as a protest against the unrepresentative character of the old time convention. We maintain that the direct primary, altho' far from perfect, is better than any other form of nomination which has been used. Since 1919 the primary system has been attacked in the legislatures of over half the states in which it is employed. What are the reasons for these attacks?

Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania says: "Politicians hate the primary and that is the most natural thing in the world. People usually hate what makes them what they regard as unnecessary trouble, and that is precisely what the primary does to politicans. The direct primary makes it harder for the politician to bring home the bacon." (Congressional Digest, Oct. 1926.) This statement repudiates one of the most prevalent criticisms of the primary—that it is controlled by politicians. If the politicians controlled the primary, would they be the ones to oppose it?

Other arguments frequently urged against the primary are: (1) it costs to much;(2) people do not vote in the primary and when they do vote they cannot discriminate intelligently among the candidates; (3) it eliminates part responsibility; and (4) poor men cannot afford to run in the primary.

As a matter of fact the cost to the state in a primary is about the same as it would be to nominate delegates to a convention, since the same election supplies would be necessary in both cases.

People do vote in the primaries—more than ever voted for delegates to a convention—and a fairly representative vote is cast when there is a vital issue. The voter can vote intelligently on the candidates for major officers. Minor offices that do not interest the voter ought not to be filled by election. The short ballot is a necessary accompaniment to the direct primary. With the short ballot and a further extension of the merit system in public employment, the direct primary should be given an adequate trial.

The assertion that parties have lost practically all responsibility for candidates chosen by the primary appears to be based on the notion that the party and the machine are synonymous. The object of the primary is to deprive the machine of its assumed responsibility in selecting candidates and places the responsibility with the party which must stand or fall at the final election on the wisdom of its choice of candidates.

The argument that poor men cannot afford to run in the primary and if they do run have no chance of nomination is repudiated by the facts. In no case has the man who spent the most money won.

In one-party states or districts the direct primary is much more important than the election. In such districts, inasmuch as the primary so often decides the election, the use of the convention system would prevent the voters having an opportunity to choose between rival candidates at the election, to say nothing of their being deprived of any real voice in the submission of choices. The pertinency of this argument for the primary is reinforced by the fact that a large percentage of all the voters in the country now live in precincts or towns or counties or states that are solidly either Democratic or Republican.

Professor Charles E. Merriam of Chicago University says: "The direct primary is of special importance to women voters. In conventions the number of women delegates is small, perhaps five or ten per cent of the total number. In the primaries, however, the percentage of woman's vote is much higher—perhaps 40 per cent of the total vote. It will be some time before women are as fully represented in legislatures and conventions as men. For the present their influence may be much more effectively exerted under the direct primary system than under the delegate system. Curiously enough, it is proposed that just as women are given the right to vote, the system under which they might most effectively act shall be changed to one under which their influence will be less powerful."

One of the principal quarrels of the League with the opponents of the primary is that they offer nothing as an alternative except a return to the Convention system. It was abandoned years ago because of the intolerable abuses and scandals. Senator Capper, of Kansas remarks: "Twenty years is a long time for a people to remember what happened to it two decades ago. Many things have happened in the meantime. As their memories of the brave days of privilege grow dim, the people lose the vivid picture of their political serfdom in the 90's and early 1900's, and the opponents of the primary with its straight out accountability to the people (instead of to bosses) talk louder against it." (Congressional Digest, Oct. 1926.)

The direct primary is not perfect, but let's use it and improve it, and refuse to go back to the old way of nominations by the few.

Florence Kirlin.

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Editorial

OUR FOREIGN POLICY

The foreign policy of this country will finally be determined by those of its citizens who inform themselves and take part in the expression of public opinion. The Philippines, Disarmament, the World Court, and Arbitration are large questions about which "America" is acting every day. Our program is intended to enable you to take an intelligent part in influencing this action. If other groups took these responsibilities seriously, what "America" did would satisfy the highest patriotism.

During the summer I met with the Peace Committee of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance in Geneva as its chairman and your representative, and at the same time attended the meeting of the Assembly of the League of Nations which saw the admission of Germany and the conclusion of the Locarno acts. I have had the benefit of the entire discussion of the United States Senate's reservations to the World Court by the Court signatories.

In England, France, and at the League there is one insistent demand—louder and clearer than we can possibly imagine—the demand for Peace; and men and women striving for this end realized that a larger program of arbitration, which will include disarmament and a sense of security, is essential in the prevention of war.

Ruth Morgan, Chairman,
Department of International Co-operation to Prevent War, National League

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STUDY GROUPS

Study groups on phases of the National League program are essential factors in the successful functioning of any local league. It is imperative that small groups of women in every community be well informed on the subjects which make up the League program. In no way other than by study can anyone become an authority or even comparatively well informed on any thing. One can receive inspiration, new ideas, and suggestions for study by listening to talks made by people who are authorities, but not until one has actually studied all sides of the program can one begin to understand the situation or to form opinions without bias.

In order to facilitate the work of the study groups material has been collected in the state office on a number of subjects. A comprehensive study on International Relations has been outlined and references collected on each point in the outline. The question of the relation of the United States to other countries and of the relation of those countries to one another, is one of the vital problems of the day. It is absolutely necessary that citizens study the situation as it exists and base their opinions on the facts—not on slogans broadcast by politicians. The state League is providing an excellent opportunity for such study.

Outlines for study of such current problems as Federal Aid, Super Power and Muscle Shoals, and the Direct Primary, have also been prepared.

Outlines for study on other phases of the National League Program are being made and will be available in a short time. Each local league should have at least one study group; large Leagues should have a number of groups studying the same and different problems. Each one of these subjects is fascinating to study. The "grubby" work of spending hours of time in hunting references has been done. You can spend all of your time and energy in the actual study.

Information on how to organize study groups and how to conduct the discussion will be provided upon request. Let's have some more study groups!

BETSY EDWARDS

The members of the State Board of the League of Women Voters feel keenly the death of Miss Betsy Edwards. She was interested in all affairs that concerned women and never hesitated to give her support to such measures as the League adopted. All those who worked with her appreciated her fine sense of justice and honor and felt the force of her personality. She was tireless in her efforts when once she pledged her support to a cause and her example as well as her work encouraged all those who worked with her. She was the embodiment of the highest type of womanhood and her charm and smypathy endeared her to all those who came in contact with her.

Her interests led her into fields of work broader than the confines of her native state so that Miss Edwards was beloved by women not only in Indiana but throughout the nation and they lament deeply the passing of so fine a character.

PROGRAM HELP'S FOR JANUARY

LIVING COSTS

Books on the Tariff

American Tariff Controversies of the 19th Century, Edward Stanwood.
Tariff at Work, J. L. Higgins
Tariff Problems, W. J. Ashley
History of the Tariff, Taussig
Outline of Economics, Ely
Tariff Primer, Lee F. Lybarger
Free Trade—Tariff and Reciprocity, Taussig

Books on Living Costs

The Tragedy of Waste, Stewart Chase
Education of the Consumer, Henry Harap
The Way Out, E. A. Filene
Co-Operative Democracy, J. G. Warbasse
America's Power Resources, Gilbert and Pogue
Social Decay and Regeneration, R. A. Freeman

Co-Operative Movement

Co-operative Societies, Nat. League of Women Voters, 532 Seventeenth St., N. W., Washington D. C., 5c. True Farmer Co-operation, A. Sapiro World's Work, May 1923, Doubleday Page & Co.,Garden City, N. Y., 35c. Our Co-operative Market, Mrs. W. C. Martin, Woman's Home Companion, June 1924, Crowell Pub. Co., 318 Fourth Ave., N. Y. City, 15c. Everett and Old Man Jim, Outlook, Jan. 21, 1925, 381 Fourth Ave., N. Y., 15c. Real First Aid for the Farmers, Co-operative League, 167 W. 12th St. N. Y. City, 5c. Model Co-operative State Law, Co-operative League, 10c.

Packers' Act

The Packers and the Public, Nat. League of Wome Voters, 5c. This does not contain text of act, which is: "An Act to regulate Interest and Foregin commerce in livestock, livestock products, dairy products, poultry, poultry products and eggs and for other purposes."

Tariff and Its Relation to Food Products

Dynamite in Sugar, Literary Digest, Sept. 6, 1924, 360 Fourth Ave., N. Y. City, 10c. Peter's Coat and the Tariff, W. L. Chenery, Atlantic Monthly, Feb. 1925, 8 Arlington St., Boston, Mass., 40c. Tariff on Sugar, Saturday Evening Post, Oct. 4, 1924, Curtis Pub. Co., Independence Square, Philadelphia, Pa., 5c. The If in the Wheat Tariff, Literary Digest, March 22, 1924, 10c. Crux of the Wheat Problem, A. E. Taylor, Saturday Evening Post., Oct. 11, 1924, 5c. How a Tariff Is Made, W. R. Green, Saturday Evening Post, October 11, 1924, 5c. Tariff Facts and Fallacies, W. R. Green, Saturday Evening Post, October 4, 1925, 5c. Food, Its Journey to Your Table, A E. Albrecht, Good Housekeeping, Feb. 1925, 119 W. 40th St., N. W. City, 25c.

Note: for an outline of a Living Costs program for a League meeting, or assistance in giving an entertainment such as "Uncle Sam Serves Tea" inquire at the state office.

NEW MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD

Mrs. William Ehrich of Evansville, who was appointed State Chairman of International Co-operation for the Prevention of War in October, should have been given credit in the November Voter for the introduction to the study topics on International Relations.

Due to the detail in connection with getting out the November Voter the appointment of Mrs. Ehrich was unintentionally omitted. The League is most fortunate in having the services of one who has such a world view point on League program. Mrs. Ehrich has attended National League Conventions. She attended the first conference on the Cause and Cure of War. Mrs. Ehrich spoke at a dinner meeting of the Indianapolis League in October.

Mrs. Pearl Vernon of Bloomington has accepted the chairmanship of the Second District. Mrs. Vernon is a member of the law firm of Vernon and Vernon, and is a graduate of the Indiana University Law School. She brings us experience gained in work in the Illinois League.

EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF INDIANA

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day, and in rooms absolutely unsatisfactory, some of which are dark damp basement rooms.

EDUCATION MUST NO LONGER BE STARVED IN INDIANA. Think facts over. Indiana has invested in Penal Farms, $6,410,-661.02. Indiana has invested in Teacher training Institutions $3,226.50. Is this fair?

The Cost of Higher Education Is a Mere Fraction of the Total Tax Bill. The Taxpayer who pays $100 devotes only eighty cents to Purdue and Indiana Universities and only forty cents to the two State Normals combined.

Facts of the situation must be impressed upon the citizens of your community and your legislators.

Indiana Legislators now delegate for the State Normal Colleges and State Universities only $2. out of every $100.00 of taxes.

We can put Indiana's State Schools on a par with the institutions of neighboring states with $4.00 out of every $100.00.

NO TIME CAN BE LOST! Make This Your Business Now.

The Direct Primary

Use it! Protect it! Improve it!

NEVER GO BACK TO THE OLD WAY OF NOMINATIONS BY THE FEW

The direct primary is not perfect; it can and should be improved to make it more responsive to and more representative of the wishes and needs of the citizens. It should not be abandoned.

The repeal of the direct primary law means that women will be deprived to a large extent of active and effective participation in government. "In the conventions the number of women delegates is very small, perhaps five or ten per cent of the total number. In the primary, however, the per cent of women's vote is much higher, perhaps 40 per cent of the total vote. It is not surprising that the alert leaders of women are aligned against the repeal of the direct primary laws in the state." *Dr. Charles E. Merriam.*

Under the Direct Primary system many thousands of citizens instead of a few politicians participate in the selection of candidates. It is easy to corrupt a few delegates to a convention, impossible to corrupt or buy thousands of citizens!

REMEMBER THE CORRUPTION AND ABUSE OF THE CONVENTION

AND

Fight for Retention of the Direct Primary

NATIONAL LEAGUE PROGRAM

of the Committee on Living Costs

Recommendations for Study

1. The aims, methods, and effectiveness of cooperative associations.
2. The relation between tariff legislation and living costs.
3. The most effective utilization of the electric resources of the country from standpoint of the public welfare.
4. Elimination of unnecessary costs in producing and distributing necessities of life (food, fuel, clothing, shelter).

Recommendations for Legislation

(To be supported by study)

Federal

1. Support of governmental agencies representing the interests of the consumer by: (a) opposition to efforts to abolish or undermine Federal Commission; transfer of power to that Commission to administer the Packer and Stockyards Act of August 15, 1921,(b) continued support of activities tending to lower living costs, particularly of activities which are, or may be carried on by the Federal Trade Commission and the Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, and justice, to prevent unfair trade practices and monopoly control.
2. Home Economics: support of legislation giving enlarged appropriations to Bureau of Home Economics for research work in home economics.
3. Muscle Shoals: development of Muscle Shoals as a national asset through legislation which provides for the continuation of government operation as required by the National Defense Act of 1916 through a non-political government corporation.
   a. To produce nitrates for national defense.
   b. To experiment with production of cheap fertilizers.
   c. To insure the development of the Tennessee River System as one project for hydro-electric power production and flood protection.

   (This stand on Muscle Shoals is not to be interpreted as endorsement of the principle of government operation in general.)

State

1. Cooperative Associations, Public Markets, and Terminals: Support of legislation which will (a) encourage genuine co-operative associations, (b) help municipalities to secure adequate facilities for public markets, slaughter-houses, milk depots, and other needed terminals and provide for regulation of such terminals, (c) penalize unnecessary hoarding of food supplies and improper use of cold storage to keep up prices of necessities of life.
2. Unfair Trade Practices: the support of state laws to prevent manipulation and other unfair practices which result in unjustifiable increases in the prices of necessities.
3. Home Economics: support of legislation, (a) to authorize state agricultural colleges to conduct research work in Home Economics; (c) to secure for each county in the state a home demonstration agent with adequate appropriations for same.

Branch League News

Michigan City league opened the fall season by giving a play "Her Honor, the Mayor" on October 11, which was very successful. On October 19, the first open meeting was held at the Spaulding Hotel and Mrs. Harris T. Baldwin was the principal speaker. The League also conducted four classes for the instruction of voters, on the days immediately preceding election.

On November 30, Mr. Bernard Roloff, Supt. of Social Hygiene League of Chicago, addressed the League. An excellent study group on social hygiene has been organized by the League.

Newburg league held its regular monthly meeting on October 4, in the library building. Mrs. Eldora Raleigh reported on the state board meeting of September 8, which she attended. It was stated that the registration of voters was completed.

At the November meeting of the League a beautiful picture of Elizabeth Cady Stanton was presented and a sketch of her labors for the cause of suffrage was given by one of the members.

Peru league had the citizenship school on October 11, and secured much publicity with it. A card party was given at the home of Mrs. Ernest Theobald, in order to raise enough money to enable them to qualify for the state school. The pupils of the civic classes in High School attended the afternoon meeting of the school. The League also had a display of literature available for reference on the various subjects of interest to league members.

Portland met at the home of Mrs. Homer Evans, on September 22. Plans were discussed for the fall meetings.

Princeton league had a social meeting on September 27, at the home of Mrs. A. R. Burton, president of the league. New voters were invited to the meeting and the program arranged to be of particular interest to them. On October 14 they had the citizenship school provided by the state organization. All of the civic classes in the High School attended the afternoon meeting of the school.

Rensselaer league held a meeting of its board of directors October 11, and decided to give a New Voters Party on October 22. Greetings from representatives of both parties were given the new voters at the party, a talk on the constitutional amendments was given by the county agent, the county candidates were invited to meet the new voters and the evening closed with dancing, music, and "eats." The Rensselaer league also work on a "Get Out the Voter" campaign.

South Bend league held its reception on October 12th, at the Y. W. C. A. Mrs. W. E. Miller discussed the question of "Peace Abroad" and Mrs. C. A. Carlisle spoke on "The Political Situation Abroad." The talks were followed by a musical program. On October 20, the league held a shawl exhibit in the Y. W. C. A. A musical program was provided for the afternoon and tea was served.

On November 9, the League entertained the blind of South Bend and Mishawaka. On Novermber 16, Mrs. L. L. Kolb, first vice-president of the League spoke on "Efficiency in Government" at the League meeting.

Terre Haute league was very active during the summer and fall holding a number of porch parties where subjects such as the direct primary, pending amendments to the state constitution, etc., were discussed. The league also paid one half of its quota to the state by September 15 and so qualified for the citizenship school which will be held sometime in January. On October 14 the league held a candidates meeting at which 35 candidates spoke.

Tipppecanoe County league held its opening meeting on October 8, at the Community Building at LaFayette. Mrs. Frank H. Streightoff, state president, was the guest of honor and spoke on the league program, its purposes and ideals. Plans are being made for organizing a New Voters League at Purdue University.

Valparaiso league had an open meeting on September 27, when Mrs. Florence Boys, state probation officer, spoke on problems relating to childhood and explained the theory back of the probation law and how the law actually works. Mrs.C. W. Boucher, president of the league, presided at the meeting.

Vincennes league opened its year's work with a president's day meeting on October 12, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Cullop, president of the league. Thirty-one students from the Vincennes University were guests and arrangements were made for organizing New Voters league at the University. Talks were given by a democratic and a republican candidate, one on Law Enforcement, the other on the necessity of voting.

The meeting ended with musical entertainment and a social hour. Several members of the league from nearby towns attended.

LOCAL LEAGUES, ATTENTION!

Henceforth, the inside of the cover page of the Voter is to be yours. In the forthcoming numbers the editor wishes to publish messages from local league members and officers, or to answer any questions from local leagues which pertain to the adminstration or policy of the leagues.

The second page of the Voter is yours. Please use it.

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